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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as named with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship PENANG, 698 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander A. Smart, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 4th July next, at 2 P.M.

	July.		July.
Leave BOMBAY	4	Leave Madras	17
" Cutwee	6	" Coconada	18
" Narsapore	8	" Vizagapatam	20
" Ganjam	9	" Bimlipatam	20
" Coconada	11	" Vizagapatam	21
" Colombo	11	" Pasa Point	22
" Galle	12	Arrive CALCUTTA	23
" Nongapatam	15		

During the S. W. Monsoon, viz., from the beginning of June to end of August, the Steamer will not communicate with ports of Mangalore, Cannanore, Tellicherry, and Calicut, but passengers for these Settlements may be landed at Nagapatam, 100 miles north of Cochin, from whence they may proceed by back water to stations on the Madras Railway.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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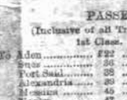
Exchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussora, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, MAHOMERAH, and BUSSORAH.

The Steam Ship ARABIA, 1,080 tons, 200 H.P., Commander W. P. Mathews, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th July, 1871, at noon.

	July.		July.
Leaves BOMBAY	8	Leave BUSSORAH	28
" Kurrachee	12	" Fao	28
" Guadur	13	" Bushire	4—19
"	"	"	Aug.
" Muscat	15	" Linga	3
" Bunder Abbas	16	" Bunder Abbas	4
" Linga	19	" Muscat	12
" Bushire	21	" Guadur	13
" Fao	23	" Kurrachee	17
Arrive BUSSORAH	24	Arrive BOMBAY	22

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

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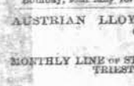
STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a steamer to Kurrachee every SATURDAY, at noon.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 610 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander A. Cotter, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 1st July 1871, at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM FERRIES (under contract with Government).—Steam Ferry Boats will ply across the Harbour daily, stopping at the undermentioned Benders:—

Fares from Bombay to

Class.	Rewas.	Dhuronkur.	Oyrun.	Hog Island.	Colwa.
	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.
First Class	2 8	3 0	1 0	2 8	3 0
Second Class	0 12	1 0	0 6	0 12	0 12
Third Class	0 5	0 8	0 3	0 5	0 5

The Rewas and Dhuronkur Ferry Steamer leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 8 A.M., and 3 P.M. The Oyrun, Hog Island, and Colwa Ferry Steamer leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 8-30 A.M., and 3 P.M. Passengers are required to obtain Tickets from the Bunder Clerk previous to proceeding on board.

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ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

The regular Steamers leave

GENOA on the 26th, and BOMBAY on the 1st of each month,

PASSENGER RATES,

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.
To Aden	£22	£15	
" Suez	22	15	8
" Port Said	23	24	7
" Alexandria	25	30	9
" Messina	30	32	10
" Naples	47	33	12
" Leghorn	50	34	13
" Genoa	50	34	14
" Marseilles with transhipment at Genoa	59	35	14-10

With Wines Included.
Without Wines Included.

Children under 3 years, free of charge.
Children not above 10 years, half fare.
Next Steamer from Bombay on the 2nd of July. 1871.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

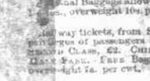
For Head-books of Information, Rates of Freight, &c., app to

VOLKART BROTHERS,
Agents Rubattino Steam Navigation Company.

Bombay, 27th May 1871.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE VIA SUEZ CANAL.



THE Company intends to despatch every month a Steamer from TRIESTE to BOMBAY and vice versa.

The STEINX, 1,460 Tons, will be despatched from Bombay, about the 13th JUNE, and the AVAR, 1,640 Tons, about the 28th JULY. These Steamers have limited accommodation for a small number of Passengers. The rate for Cabin Passengers include food and table wine between Bombay through First, and Deck passengers through Second Class, and 3 cwt. luggage. For luggage in excess 3 cwt. a charge is charged.

PASSENGER RATES FROM BOMBAY:

	Cabin.	Deck with Food.
To Aden	£16	£ 7-12
" Suez	£38	£15- 7
" Port Said	£39	£14- 6
" Trieste	£40	£19- 0

Cargo taken for Trieste, also for Venice, Constantinople, and Odessa, Aden, Egypt, England and the Continent generally.

Return tickets are issued by MAIL STEAMERS between Alexandria and Trieste, and vice versa, in conjunction with the P. & O. Co.'s Mail Steamers to and from Suez. The Austrian Lloyd's Mail Steamers leave Alexandria direct for Trieste immediately after the arrival of the Bombay and Calcutta Mails from Suez. The distance between Alexandria and Trieste is 300 miles shorter than that between Alexandria and Marseilles, and the voyage to Trieste is much more agreeable, it being a cruising trip full of variety of beautiful scenery from the Island of Candia to the Port of Trieste. The passage occupies only 41 to 5 days, and the Company's best Steamers are employed on this line, which are fitted expressly for this service, with special regard to the accommodation and comfort of passengers, and have on board an experienced Surgeon on board. At Trieste the traveller is England has at his disposal an extensive choice of first-rate Hotels, occupying from three days six hours to five days to London, at an expense varying from £7 to £13.

Passengers by the P. & O. Co.'s Steamers to Suez can have their baggage forwarded by that Company's Steamers from Alexandria to Southampton, at a charge of Rds. per cwt., for the regulated allowance of 3 cwt., and of 2s. per cwt. for excess weight, (both exclusive of transit through Egypt), to which the Austrian Lloyd's Agent at Suez will attend.

The undersigned despatches also passage tickets for the steamers plying between Alexandria and Trieste, and for the railway between Suez and Alexandria.

PASSENGER RATES FROM ALEXANDRIA to TRIESTE.

First Class.....£13 | Second Class £9

Children under 10 years at Half Fare; under 2 years, Free.

REDUCED FARES for FAMILIES, consisting of not less than 3 adult members travelling together:—First Class, £10-16 each; Second Class, £7-10 per head.

Personal Baggage allowed Free: 1st Class 200 lbs., 2nd Class 150 lbs., overweight 1½ per 100 lbs.

Railway tickets, from SUEZ, to ALEXANDRIA, with all the privileges of passengers by the P. & O. Co.:—First Class, £3; Second Class, £2. Children over 3 and under 10 years at Half Fare. Free Baggage 1st Class 3 cwt., 2nd Class 2 cwt. lbs., overweight 1s. per cwt.

In conjunction with the Austrian Lloyd, Cargo for Trieste and Venice can be booked through from Bombay by the P. & O. Co. and the Bombay and Bengal Steam Ship Co., and in Bombay from the various ports touched at by the steamers of the British India Steam Navigation Company.

TRANSHIPMENT SERVICE AT PORT SAID.

GOODS for Trieste, Venice, Odessa, and Ports on the Syrian, Turkish and Greek Coasts, shipped by Steamers under any Flag when other less expensive, Chinese and Indian Ports bound to Mediterranean or British Ports, via Suez Canal, are received and transhipped by the Austrian Lloyd's Agent at Port Said, and forwarded to their destination by the Company's regular lines of Steamers.

For further particulars, and for freight and passage apply to the AGENCY OF THE AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

A. C. GUMPERT, Manager.

Bombay, 2, Ash Lane, June 1871.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Tuesday, the 4th July, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. GOLCONDA (1,909 tons, and 450 H.P.) Captain A. Colemas, will LEAVE SUEZ as above, carrying H.M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Brindisi, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Odessa, Genoa, Naples, and Havre, Liverpool or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal, their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

REDUCTION OF FARES.

The Rates of Passage Money have been reduced as follows:—

To BRINDISI ..... First Class Rs. 600 Second Class Rs. 300
To SOUTHAMPTON ..... " " 650 " 350

Exclusive of Wines and Liquors, and the transit through Egypt.

All Children under 3 years of age, free; above 3 and under 10, half fare.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s. s. VANCORE, (1,900 tons, and 400 H.P., Captain C. H. Eastley, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY the 5th July, leaving Mazagon at noon on that day, carrying H.M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any checque of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's office before 11 A.M. on Tuesday, the 4th proximo.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE & COMPANY.

TOMORROW THURSDAY, the 29th instant, Messrs. MENESSE and Co. will hold their usual Weekly Auction sale, at their Rooms, of a quantity of Grey, and Coloured Piece Goods, Twist &c., &c.

2 Bales Colored Twist
23 ditto Grey Shirtings
7 Ditto Grey Jaconets
5 ditto Grey Jaconets
8 Cases White Ground Prints
11 ditto Yellow Prints
5 ditto Coloured Handkerchiefs
Few Cases of Gem Biscuits by Huntley Palmer
An Invoice of Kerosine Lamps in assorted descriptions
A quantity of Preserved Provisions in tins and pots
A quantity of first-class Claret, by Durand and Co

TO BE LET, a Stable in Oak Lane for one Horse and Gharry from the 1st July.

Rumman Street, 28th June 1871. MENESSE & Co.

BENNETT AND COMPANY.

No. 5, Young Street.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelain ware, &c., the property of Mrs. Rosewood Grand square Pianoforte by Schiedmayer and Soehne, one handsome English-built Park Phaeton, by Kinross, with a pair of handsome foal-trotting Iron-grey Horses and Harness, &c., at Chinchpooly, behind Upna Cottage.

THIS DAY WEDNESDAY, the 28th inst., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above mentioned place, the valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelain ware, &c. &c., the property of Mrs. Rosebud, Esq., the same comprising a Set of Glassware, handsome Dinner Breakfast, and Dessert Services, best Plated Ware, such as a set of Dish Covers containing 4 Hot-water Carry Dishes, Tea, Egg and Pickle Frames, Ice Pitchers, Tea Set, a set of Dessert Knives and Forks with ivory handles, a handsome Silver Crest Stand, best Cutlery, &c., handsomely Carved Chairs, Sofas, Furniture, such as a set of Dining Tables in 4 pieces, Sideboard, Dining-room Chairs, richly Carved Circular, Fret and Sofa Tables, Easy and Drawing-room Chairs, Conversation Sofas, Cabinets, Cheffonier, first-class Rosewood Grand Square Piano by Schiedmayer and Soehne, four-post Bedstead, Cleopatra Couches, Dressing and Washing Tables, Toilet Glasses, Gown and Clothes Presses, Chest of Drawers, a first-rate Mahogany Slate Bagatelle Table, &c., &c.

AT 2 P.M.

A handsome English-built Park Phaeton by Kinross, with a pair of handsome foal-trotting Iron Grey Arab Horses with a set of best English Plated Mounted Carriage Harness.

1 Set English Plated Mounted Single Harness.
1 Lady's Side Saddle with Bridle and Irons.

No Catalogues and the property is now on view.

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Handsome Carriages of various descriptions, such as Mail Phaeton, Broughams, Buggy, &c., &c.

Bombay, 28th June 1871. BENNETT & Co.

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" " " Second Class.....£ 9 12s. 1d.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ESTATE of the late Major CHARLES JOHN DARRAH, Royal Engineers, Commandant Bombay Sappers and Miners.—ANY PERSONS INDEBTED to, or having CLAIMS against, the above, are requested to communicate immediately with the undersigned.

JAMES H. R. CRUICKSHANK, Captain R.E.,
President of Committee of Adjustment.

Kirkee, 23rd June 1871.

THE LONDON, ASIATIC, and AMERICAN COMPANY, Limited.—NOTICE is hereby given, that a DIVIDEND, at the rate of SEVEN AND A HALF (7½) PER CENT., for the half year ending 31st December 1870, WILL BE PAID to those SHAREHOLDERS whose names appear on the Bombay Register, on application to the undersigned.

A. E. ASHLEY, Joint Manager.

London, Asiatic, and American Company, Limited.
Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 26th June 1871.

HIGH COURT.—Ecclesiastical Side.

In the matter of the last WILL and TESTAMENT of CANJEE KHETSEY, deceased.

KESSERVOWOO, Widow of the late CANJEE KHETSEY..... Applicant.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an APPLICATION has been made to the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, on its Ecclesiastical Side, by Kesservowoo, of Bombay, Hindoo inhabitant, husband, the RELICT of the last WILL and TESTAMENT of her deceased, being grant Administration as the sole Executrix appointed by the said Will.—Dated this 22nd June 1871.

KHURSHEDJI MORDJEE, Applicant's Proctor.

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Dr. F. J. Mouat, M.D., F.R.C.S., (formerly Professor of Medicine in, and First Physician of the hospital attached to the Medical College of, Calcutta), certifies—"I have myself taken, and I have administered to other persons in chronic derangement of the Liver, the Essence of Chiretta prepared by Dr. E. J. Lazarus, of Benares, with marked benefit and success. It is equally useful as a Tonic and Alterative in the many secondary affections arising by hepatic disease, I am satisfied that it possesses great merit as an alterative and tonic; and that it is really a valuable and trustworthy remedy."

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FRAUD.

On the 27th June, 1868, MOTIZEWALLAH, a Printer, was convicted at the Supreme Court, Calcutta, of counterfeiting the

LABELS

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NOTICES.

NOTICE.—The undersigned begs to intimate that he has THIS DAY established himself as PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AUDITOR and SURVEYOR.

M. BRESLAUER.

Apollo House, Bombay, 26th June 1871.

NOTICE.—All Persons having CLAIMS against, or being INDEBTED to, the ESTATE of the late Surgeon R. C. MILES, 6th Brigade Royal Artillery, are requested to forward the same to the President of the Committee of Adjustment at Colaba.

G. C. HENRY, Bt. Lt.-Colonel, Royal Artillery,
President Committee of Adjustment.

Bombay, 26th June 1871.

NOTICE.—The POWER of ATTORNEY under which Mr. A. L. ESTILL has hitherto SIGNED and CARRIED on the BUSINESS of our FIRM is WITHDRAWN.

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Bombay, 26th June 1871.

NOTICE.—PROBATE of the last WILL and TESTAMENT of Mr. THOMAS GINGER, late of Bombay, European Veterinary Surgeon, deceased, having been granted to his Widow, Mrs. ADELAIDE GINGER, all PERSONS INDEBTED to the said Mr. GINGER are hereby required to COMMUNICATE and PAY THEIR DEBTS to the said Executrix WITHOUT DELAY.—Dated this 14th day of June 1871.

MACFARLANE & SKIPSEY,
Attorneys for Mrs. A. Ginger, the Executrix.

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NOTICE.—From 1st July 1871, INTEREST on CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS, at the rate of 3 PER CENT per annum, will be allowed on the MINIMUM MONTHLY BALANCE from Rupees One Thousand up to a Lac, but no Interest will be allowed on Balances of less than Rupees One Thousand.

By order of the Directors,
JAMES WINDRAM, Manager.

Bombay, 15th June 1871.

TO THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE FOR THE CITY OF BOMBAY.—I hereby give NOTICE, that a SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the JUSTICES of the PEACE for the City of Bombay will be HELD at the TOWN HALL, on FRIDAY, the 30th June, 1871, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, precisely, when J. A. FORBES, Esq., will propose the following Resolutions:—

Resolution No. I.

That Act No. II. of 1865 is found inexpedient and insufficient for the full and proper management of the City of Bombay, and for the perfect conservancy and improvement thereof, it is proposed that the following alterations in the said Act be made:—

That in lieu and in substitution of clause II of said Act, whereby the entire executive power and responsibility is vested in one Commissioner appointed by the Governor in Council in terms of said clause II, the following be enacted:

That the said entire executive power and responsibility for the purposes of the new proposed Act be vested in a "Town Council" of sixteen members, six to be nominated and appointed by Government, six by majority of the votes of the Bench of Justices, and four to be especially elected by householders (or occupiers to the amount of Rs. 25 per month rent), if and being necessary for the last-mentioned cases of members to be Justices of the Peace. The Council to be designated "The Town Council of Bombay," to be presided over by the Chairman of the Bench of Justices. The said Town Council shall be provided with a Secretary who shall receive such allowances out of the municipal funds to be raised under this proposed Act, as shall from time to time be fixed by the Town Council of Bombay, provided that the said salary shall not exceed Rs. 1,500 per month.

Resolution No. II.

That all the powers which by Act II. of 1865 are vested in the Municipal Commissioner for the time being be vested in the said "Town Council of Bombay," except as to such cases provided by the said last-mentioned Act, to the sanction of the Bench of Justices.

Resolution No. III.

And whereas by the present Bombay Municipal Act No. II. of 1865, the power of nominating all subordinate officers and servants for the purposes of the said Act is vested in the said Commissioner, with the exception of the Controller of Municipal Accounts, the Executive Engineer, and the Health Officer, be it now enacted—

That such power be vested in the "Town Council of Bombay" to the extent of Rs. 500 per month, and when the salary of any assistant or subordinate officer shall exceed the sum of Rs. 500 per month, in such case the assent of the Bench of Justices shall be obtained.

That as regards the said Controller of Municipal Accounts, Executive Engineer, and Health Officer, the appointments hitherto have been subject to the selection of the Governor in Council—

That the said officers if found necessary under this revised Act shall henceforth be selected, nominated, and appointed by the said "Town Council of Bombay," subject to the Bench of Justices.

That as regards their pay and allowances under the new administration of municipal affairs it is found necessary to revise their salaries, it is hereby enacted that their remuneration be fixed by the said Town Council of Bombay, subject to the sanction of H. M.'s Bench of Justices of Bombay.

Resolution No. IV.

That Government be most respectfully requested to defer the re-appointment of all officers to the Municipality in July next, 1871, until Government have made a full investigation into the administration of the Municipality since Act II. of 1865 came in force.

Amendment.

The following will be proposed by Captain Hancock, and seconded by Hamilton Maxwell, Esq., as an amendment to the Resolution.—That the proposal to vest the executive power and responsibility now vested in the Municipal Commissioner in a Town Council, assisted by a paid Secretary, is a reinauguration of the plan on which the late Board of Conservancy was constituted, is wrong in principle and will, as experience has shown, fail in practice.

That the Bench of Justices should be maintained as heretofore, but that in order to facilitate business the supervision and control of municipal affairs should hereafter be entrusted to a Town Council, selected from the Bench of Justices, and composed of not more than 6 members, one-half the number to be Europeans and half Natives, the Chairman of the Justices to be ex officio President of the Town Council. The members to be nominated annually, one-half by Government and one-half by the Bench of Justices, vacancies being filled up as they occur by the authority by whom the original nomination was made.

That the executive duties of the Municipality should be conducted as at present by a Municipal Commissioner to be nominated by Government.

That the Town Council should have absolute control of the finance, including the sanction of the expenditure and the approval of contracts, and that no work or proceeding involving expenditure shall be commenced or undertaken without the knowledge and consent of the Council to be given in writing.

That the Council shall have power to resolve itself into Committees to undertake special branches of administration, the Municipal Commissioner to be ex-officio Member of all such Committees.

LESLIE CRAWFORD,
Acting Clerk to the Justices of the Peace for the City of Bombay.

Bombay, Town Hall, 21st June 1871.

NOTICE.

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	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
10,000	100	all	8 p.ct.	Agra Bank	300 par
32,000	1,000	all	8 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,460 nl.
25,000	500	all	8 pct.	Ditto of Bombay New	630
10,000	500	all	do.	Ditto and Ess. Issue	180
16,200	1,000	all	8 p.ct.	Ditto of Madras	1,400
14,000	250	all	4 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. L.& China	250 par
40,000	250	all	10 p.ct.	Hong a Shanghai Bank	360 nl.
40,000	200	all	nil	Chartered Bk. of L. & C.	150
37,500	750	125	nil	National Bank of India	1043
10,000	100	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	500

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

—	£20,818,3.0		p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	245
—	£2,109,1.5		do.	Do. New £20 shares	125
—	£2,13,10.3		do.	Do.	1
—	£10,1,900		do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,1.0
—	£21,19,1.6		do.	Do. New Shares	225

LAND COMPANIES.

8,000	8,000	all 12s 7d	Colaba Land Co	1,705
9,000	15/	all	Frere Land & Pier Co. Ld.	153
7s	2,700	Nil	Rangoon Land	550
4,000	4,000	1,424	Bori Cumaung	380

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co	1,600
500	2,500	all	200*	Alliance Spinning	2,000
100	5,500	all		Bombay	2,800
900	1,800	all	45*	Bombay United	960
200	150	150		Bunder Mills	200
750	2,000	all		Dharumsey Spinning	2,625
750	2,500	all	75 p.a.	Great Eastern	3,300
2,000	1,000	all	140 p.a.	Manockjee Petit	1,030
900	2,000	all	350 p.a.	Oriental	3,240
600	2,000	2,400	...	Royal	2,275

*Per share for the half-year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	2,000	2,000	225	Akbar Cotton Press Co	2,150
200	2,000	1,100	180	Albert Press Bunder	1,015
100	500	500	Nil	Alexandra Press Co	475
1,000	2,000	1,000	Nil	Apollo Press Co	1,140
200	2,000	all	25 p.a.	Bombay Press Co	2,500
200	500	all	60 p.a.	Do. New	525
200	500	all	Nil.	Kolaba Press Co	500
250	2,000	all	...	East India Press	10,000
150	2,500	all	300	Fort Free Press	1,000
150	1,000	1,000	...	Fort Printing Press Co	2,450
200	5,000	6,000	Nil	Imperial Press Co	1,200
250	3,000	2,000	...	Kurrachee Press Co	1,175
200	2,000	all	30 p.a.	Motor Press & Co	960
1,625	2,000	all	350	Prince of Wales Press	2,870
250	2,000	1,00	Nil	Victoria Press, Madras	925
150	1,000	all	Nil.	Universal Press Co	1,000
100	1,000			Carwar Company	850

MISCELLANEOUS.

—	2,500	1,250	75 p.a.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	845
80,000	50	all	8 p.a.	Bombay Gas Company	55
1,000	100	all	8 p.a.	Kurrachee Landing and Shipping Company	98
700	2,000	300	12 p.a.	Kurrachee Landing and Shipping Company	400
2,000	500	all	40 p.a.	Prescott & Co	170
2,000	250	all	6 p.a.	Vicgar Patent Slip Co	400

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date of Liquidation.		
	80/	85	Jan. '68	Bank of Bombay
	93	19	Dec. China	
	250	2	Mar. '68	Central Bank
				East India Bank
	200	13	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula
	200	70	May '	Royal Bank

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London	At sight	1s. 10⅞d.
London Banks	6 months' sight	1s. 11 1/16d.
Do. Credits	6 Do. do.	1s. 11 1/8d.
Do. Documents	6 Do. do.	1s. 11⅛d.
Calcutta	At sight	100
Do.	30 days' sight	100 Par
Do.	60 days' sight	99½
Madras	At sight	100
Do.	30 days' sight	100
China	60 Do. do.	428

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, cash	Rs.	10-12
Bank of England Notes	,,	10-12
Carolus	,,	220
Mexican Dollars	,,	220
Five-Franc Pieces	,,	203
Bar Silver	,,	111
Gold Leaf	,,	13-6
Bar Gold 10 oz. English	,,	17-2
Australian Gold	,,	17-2

BANK OF BOMBAY.

Government Securities	4 per cent.
Mercantile Bills	6 ,,

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent	113
Five per cent	106
Four per cent	99½
Four & half per cent. Public Works Loan	109
Five per cent Debentures Loan 1866-67	103
15 years' Debenture Loans	105½
10 Do. do.	104
5 years' do. do.	103
Six per cent. Municipal Loan House Rate	115
Do. Do. Market Rate	115

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—JUNE 27.

Gillespie, Captain, 25th Regiment, on duty, from Ahmednuggur.
Crispin, Captain, 4th Rifles, on leave, from Poona.
Jayakar, Assistant Surgeon, Bombay Medical Department, on leave, from Ahmedabad.
Hooper, Surgeon, 104th Fusiliers, on leave, from Allahabad.

DEPARTURES.—JUNE 27.

Hooper, Surgeon, 104th Fusiliers, on leave, to England.
Bernard, Lieutenant, Royal Horse Artillery, on sick leave, to England.
Duck, Veterinary Surgeon, Royal Artillery, on duty, to Kirkee.
Gaye, Colonel, Royal Horse Artillery, on duty, to Kirkee.
Barnard, Captain, 60th Regiment, on leave, to England.
Daubeny, Captain, 103th Regiment, on leave, to England.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—27TH JUNE.

London	Cotton	No ship loading.	
	Cases		
	Seeds		
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£2 0s. 0d.	to £2 2s. 0d.
	Wooden Ships	£2 0s. 0d.	to £2 2s. 0d.
	Myrabolams & Coir bulk	£4 0s. 0d.	
	Seeds	£1 13s. 0d.	to £1 15s. 0d.
Havre	Cotton	£2 17s. 6d.	to £3 0s. 0d.
	Coffee		
Overland (discharging)		£3 10s. 0d.	to £3 15s. 0d.
Liverpool via Suez Canal		No steamer.	
China	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 9 to 10 per bale.	
	Opium	Rs. 250 to 20 per chest	
	Sailing Ships	Rs. 6 per bale	
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 3 0 0 to 4 0 0 per on	
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 18 and Calcutta Port charges	
Mauritius		8 annas to 10 p. bag nominal.	

ARRIVAL.

June	Vessel.	Commander.	From
27	Kurrachee (s)	Cottier	Kurrachee, June 24.

DEPARTURE.

June	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
27	Sumatra (s)	Fraser	Aden and Suez.

The ship Braunstone, Hughes, to Havre, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The ship Kurrachee, to Kurrachee, began to load yesterday.

DAILY EXPORTS.—27TH JUNE.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Sir Charles Napier, 106 bales cotton, A Blaschek & Co.
Queen, 400 bales cotton, S Mooljee.
Brimnita, 100 bales cotton, E Jagnath.
Sir John Mandeville, 63 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.
Charles Bell, 20 cases corks, Charles Carter 16 bales hides, and 5 bales skins, H E Jatakar; 82 bales rags, T Soondercjee.
Stornoway, 2,400 bundles coir yarn, T Dewjee.
Mary Stenhouse, 12 bundles horns, S S Mohamed; 100 bales cotton, Kunhiar Frescwick & Co; 99 bales cotton, Ritchie, Stewart & Co; 151 bales cotton, John Campbell & Co; 60 bales wool, J Hormusjee & Co.
Queen of the Lake, 24 cases gum, D Merwanjee & Co; 6 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers, 100 bales cotton, Kunhiar, Friswerck & Co.
Princess Alexandria, 8 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.
Persia (s), 100 bales wool, S Mooljee.
Golconda (s), 9 cases shell lac, Gaddum & Co; 35 bales wool, Vishuldase Jairam, 2 bales wool, Cursetjee Furdoonjee.

FOR LONDON.

Golconda (s), 231 pieces E teeth, J Jeejeebhoy; 80 pieces E teeth, A Famulie; 220 packages coffee, L R jabally.

FOR HAVRE.

Bride, 603 bales cotton, George Lockhart & Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Behar (s), 108 bales cotton, J Meerchund; 6 bundles fishmaws, and 14 bundles shark fins, A A Furnandes.
Travancore (s), 175 bales cotton, J Peerbhoy; 101 bales cotton, E Ebram; 402 bales cotton, N Kassowjee & Co.

POSTAL NOTICES

DEPARTURE OF OCEAN MAILS.

	Date.	Mail closes.	After Packet.
United Kingdom	July 4	2 P.M.	3 P.M.
Kurrachee	,, 4	11 A.M.	...
Persian Gulf via Kurrachee	,, 8	11 A.M.	...
Galle	,, 9	9 A.M.	10 A.M.
Australia	,, 5	9 A.M.	10 A.M.
Mauritius, Reunion, &c.	,, 11	2 P.M.	3 P.M.

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BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

GILDER—June 20th, the wife of the Rev. Chas. Gilder, of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

MARTIN—June 20th, at Goona, Central India, the wife of Captain Cunliffe Martin, of a son.

DEATHS.

BURBIDGE—At Mussoorie, Arthur Alfred, fourth son of Mr. J. G. Burbidge, Station Master, Cawnpore, aged 1 year, 7 months and 10 days.

COOPER—May 20th, at Gurkha Factory, Chupra, Mr. Stephen Cooper, Indigo Planter, of consumption, aged 36 years.

NOTICE.

All CHEQUES, MONEY ORDERS, and other Remittances, sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

All Communications respecting Advertisements should be addressed to the "Advertisement Department."

Bombay Gazette Office, Bombay.

The Bombay Gazette.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 1871.

THIRTY years hence, Anglo-Indians will wonder that it was ever possible for Englishmen to exist in this country without having the advantage of direct railway communication between Bombay and Calcis—just as it puzzles us now to comprehend what sort of life men lived out here in the old days, when it took six months to get a letter from home, and Indian service meant complete exile from Europe for a full quarter of a century. Mr. W. P. Andrew, the tenacious advocate of the Euphrates Valley Railway, may, after the vote of the House of Commons for a committee to inquire into the feasibility of his scheme, give a sigh of relief to think that he has touched ground at last. When once the House of Commons has begun to discuss any scheme seriously, the schemer ceases to be a mere dreamer, and may hope to attain ere long the supreme bliss of being enrolled in the ranks of those practical men [illegible] English society as the pioneers of civilization and the benefactors of the human race. There is hardly any field of railway enterprize still left unexplored by English engineers, and unenriched by English capital, except what can be found in the territories of the Sultan of Turkey; and there have been various signs of late that the current of speculation will soon set in the direction of restoring the ancient fruitfulness of the Turkish provinces, and—to use the fine language in which the *Deccan Herald* describes the miracle Sir Seymour Fitzgerald has worked at Poona—making the Mesopotamian deserts to "bloom and blossom like the rose." The particular line favoured by Mr. Andrew may not be chosen; but we entertain no doubt that a railway through Turkey in Asia will be in progress before ten years are over, and that it will be the precursor of renewed fertility and populousness in regions that were once the garden of the world but are now laid waste and desolate. We bow to the opinion of military critics, that a railway across Asiatic Turkey would not be so good a strategic line for us as the present Overland Route; but we cannot help thinking that any line is a good strategic line which brings England and India closer to one another. After all, the only thing that keeps the English Empire together is our command of the sea; and, with our fleets supreme in the Mediterranean and the Persian Gulf, we should certainly find a railway through Mesopotamia and Syria very useful in helping us to land troops to assist the Turks against a Russian army invading Turkey from the Caucasus.

But the increasing importance of the Persian Gulf route makes it essential that our Government should be extremely watchful not to lose the influence we have gained in the Gulf and over the tribes of the countries which border it. The remarkable activity recently displayed by Turkey ought to excite some uneasiness, in our statesmen. Turkey is an excellent ally while she is weak, because our protection of her secures to us political predominance in the East; but it would become an open question whether Russ or Turk ought most to be feared if Turkey, reinvigorated, were really or the point of uniting once more all her provinces in Europe and Asia in one compact and powerful empire. The policy of the present Sultan is certainly much more far-reaching than that of his predecessors; and it promises, if His Imperial Majesty be left to pursue his aims without hindrance, to create a new Eastern Question of a kind that modern statesmen have not dreamt of. It used to be thought one of Lord Palmerston's crotchets, that any course of treatment could possibly make the "sick man" strong and healthy again. But the Turkey of to-day gives signs of vigour and activity that are surprising and not altogether agreeable to the friends who were so tenderly careful of the poor invalid. Not only has the Sultan summarily extinguished the Greek agitation in the islands of the Levant, and asserted his authority over Egypt more effectually than the Porte had been able to do at any time since the rise of Mehemet Ali; but he is extending and consolidating his power by bringing into subjection the independent tribes which have hitherto done as they pleased in Arabia. One expedition has quelled what is called an insurrection, that is to say, it has in fact regained possession of territory which for a long time was only nominally Turkish, in Western Arabia; and another strong force, of whose doings no news has yet reached us, has marched into Nejd to attempt the difficult task of subduing the Wahabees. This latter expedition has created a very uneasy feeling among those merchants who have hitherto been accustomed to regard English influence as paramount in the Gulf.

The fact seems to be that merchants believe the expedition is only nominally directed against Nejd, but in reality, though any such intention is of course disclaimed by the Turks, is destined if successful to eventually envelope the islands of Bahrein and even reach the Muscat State. This alarm in the mercantile community shows very significantly how [illegible] the British prestige in the Gulf, by which [illegible] is kept down and trade allowed peaceful [illegible] At first sight an expedition direc[illegible] may not appear to call for [illegible] of merchants. But it ma[illegible] that British or [illegible] trading ma[illegible]

Abbas, on the Persian shore line, but that from Kateef in the Wahabee country (the point it is said that is to be first attacked) through the Bahrein Islands, the numerous ports along the south coast of the Gulf, and so on round Ras-Mussendom into the Oman Gulf and its principal ports of Sohar, Muscat, and Soor, at each and all of these places British Indian merchants are settled and engross so much of the trade as to have almost a monopoly in certain branches. A Turkish expedition, therefore, they feel, is almost sure to stir up the wild tribes amongst whom they do business; and, if these find that another power than the British is abroad, they may not scruple to take advantage of the confusion, and merchants' lives and property would become too insecure to allow of their remaining in the country. Again, merchants at Persian ports, although in no actual danger of a physical nature, would be in a great measure affected were their correspondents in Arabia unable to continue in that country. Take for instance the port of Lingah—the most rising in the Gulf. It has only a moderate local trade, but is the great feeder for all Arab ports, and does a very large carrying trade in native craft. The occupation of the majority of Lingah merchants would be gone were the Arab ports disturbed. It is well known that it is only owing to the manner in which our Political officers look after merchants and their interests on both sides of the Gulf that trade has developed so rapidly as it has done within the past five or six years. Were British influence in any way to become lessened, trade must, it is felt, decline proportionately.

We have deemed it necessary to call attention to this expedition, because in those distant regions, vaguely known as "the Persian Gulf," much mischief may occur unheeded which cannot afterwards be undone. We have shown how largely interested our British and British Indian merchants are in the maintenance of peace in the Gulf regions, and we leave the matter with those whose duty it is to attend to it; but, in concluding, we may remind our readers that these little known places we have been writing about may ere long, when the Persian Gulf is the great highway to England, become as familiar names to us as Aden and Suez. The arduous works of our Political pioneers will then be gratefully thought of—we fear the only reward they are likely to get.

THE lists for the French loan were closed in Bombay yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock; but subscriptions from up-country will be received to-day, on payment of a small premium. The total amount subscribed in the two days exceeds thirty lacs of rupees, the scrip being principally taken by natives. It appears, then, that we were justified in supposing there must still be some money left in Bombay. The applications yesterday were, contrary to expectation, as numerous as on Monday; but this was no doubt owing to the fact of a telegram having been received, stating that a special agency will be opened for paying interest on the loan in London, so that the English banks will be able to lend money on the stock as freely as on any loan brought out on the London Stock Exchange. A good deal of the money subscribed here is really meant for investment, the natives having apparently been attracted by the announcement that interest on the full amount of the capital will be paid from Saturday next, though the last of the instalments of their subscription is not payable before November, 1872. Altogether, the experiment has been a very successful one; and the Bombay Agency of the Comptoir may be congratulated on having achieved a happy ending to its bold venture of opening a new market for the employment of Indian capital.

THE Simla Orphanage will be opened next Saturday, when there will be a grand ceremony.

IT is said that a correspondence is going on between Lord Napier of Magdala and the Commander-in-Chief of Bombay as to the re-employment of Sub-conductor Sharman in the Public Works Department.

THE "Indian Mirror" has heard that in consequence of the unprecedentedly large number of [illegible] into the Medical College Hospital, Calcutta, in both the English and Bengalee classes, the anatomical lecture room is not sufficient to afford proper accommodation to the numerous pupils.

MAHARAJA SIR DIGBIJAY SING, K.C.S.I., president of the British Indian Association of Oudh, is expected at Lucknow on the 1st prox. All the talookdars have been invited by the secretary, Mirza Abbas Beg, at the instance of the president, to a general meeting of the Association to be held on that day.

"WE are informed," says the "Bangalore Herald," that "there is no truth in the report that the Volunteers propose to give a return dinner to Colonel Simpson and Captain Anderson, for the very excellent reason that these much respected and popular officers have never given the Volunteers an entertainment of any description, and it is believed have not the slightest intention of ever doing so." Rather a broad hint.

THE designs and estimates for the Wurdah and Wurrora Coal-field Railway have received the preliminary sanction of the Government of India, and the formal sanction of the Secretary of State to the project may be expected shortly. It is probable that actual work will commence next October. This line is fifty miles in length; it will involve the construction of several important works, such as the Wunna, the Potra, and the Amboa river bridges.

WE are glad to learn from a postal notice that on and after the 1st proximo, till further notice, the late fee on all letters for despatch by railway from Bombay only, will be reduced to 2 annas. The time for posting such letters at the General Post Office will also be extended upto half an hour of the starting of the trains, the mails closing generally as at present. The late fee on overland letters will also be reduced to 4 annas. In all cases, the ordinary postage and late fee must be prepaid by postage stamps affixed to the cover.

THE public may be interested to know what it cost on a late occasion to fumigate the barracks at Moradabad. "The exact sum," says the "Pioneer," "was Rs. 1,176-13-6! The Military Department refused to pay the bill, and after some wanderings it was sent to the Sanitary Commissioner for 'any remarks he might desire to offer.' This official remarked that he thought 20 bonfires per diem kept continually alight for 39 days was perhaps unnecessarily cautious, and that 146 men per diem to look after the bonfires was perhaps unnecessarily liberal."

THE "Lucknow Times" says—"A grand kite-flying match is being played between representatives of two great dynasties, the *Safavi* of Iran and the Naishapore of Oudh. Some talookdars, it is said, have joined one of the parties, and in a few days more we are assured all the crack nobility of the city will be ranged on one side or other of the match. The pawnbroker has already been called in requisition to supply funds for this extravagance, and ere the match is played out, many a fortune will have flown, and many a player become a ruined and miserable man for ever. *O! tempora, O! mores!*"

THE London correspondent of the "Indian Daily News" gives the following amusing description of an incident in the House of Commons:—

"During a long speech of Mr. Gladstone's, a gentleman, who was seated in the Speaker's Gallery, began to cry out "hear, hear," in a very loud tone. This is of course contrary to the rules of the House, which are that strangers must on no account make any signs of approval or disapproval of the speeches which are being delivered. The obstreperous stranger in question, however, continued to make so many interruptions that the Sergeant-at-arms went in person to the Speaker's Gallery and told him that he must leave the house at once. To this, however, the lunatic—for, in point of fact, that was what he was—replied by thanking that [illegible] Sergeant-at-arms [illegible] Take me to the [illegible] owing to [illegible] and [illegible] me there with [illegible] without assistance as the measures of the country may [illegible] This last economic [illegible] the [illegible] his scream with [illegible] offender was [illegible] the [illegible] to [illegible] out the stranger. [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] that [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] the

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(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KURRACHEE, 24TH JUNE.

There is oftentimes stranger than fiction, and it not unfrequently happens that when the truth is revealed it excites most unpleasant feelings in the breasts of some. But this, however, is no reason why the consequences of public officials or corporations should be hid under a bushel; this is no reason why the peccadilloes of even a Collector sahib should not be brought to the public sight of day for criticism and animadversion; there is no reason why the most flagrant cases of "jobbery" should be allowed to nestle themselves under the wings of a high official's protection, and not be published to the world, so that justice may be meted at the hands of even still higher officials. I perceive my last letter anent the Municipality has aroused a regular storm of indignation upon the devoted head of your correspondent, and all, forsooth, because he happened to acquaint the public with plain, unvarnished facts, and thus nip in the bud a most unwarrantable proceeding on the part of the Collector and his disciples. I further learn that the said letter has been characterized as false from beginning to end. It may perhaps be inaccurate in regard to some points, such as the particular names the municipal body are pleased to designate particular meetings by; but can the President assert that the proposition to install a favorite in a new appointment, to be created for the occasion, was not his? Can he deny that when he set it forth to the native members of the Commission, telling them his views on the plan of "separating the appointments of secretary and surveyor," as he called the innovation? I repeat, can he deny that they all, with one voice and one accord, shook their heads like so many Solons, and declared meekly and mildly that what the Honour said was perfectly rational and met with their cordial approbation? Can he deny that every independent member of the board (I mean every gentleman outside the service) stoutly and resolutely protested against the preposterous notion of inflicting the rate-payers with the services of one whom they absolutely did not require? If he can deny all this, then I shall willingly consent that I have been in the wrong, and shall straightway go and commit myself to his tender mercies, so that summary punishment may be meted out to me. Alas! and alack! Major Dunsterville, that your pet scheme should go on the wane, through an ill-timed public exposure! However, the ratepayers may congratulate themselves that such is the case, and further, that consequent on promotion in office they are likely to lose the invaluable services of your most important auxiliary, Mr. Ashby Ingle, a gentleman who, from his peculiar penchant for upholding whatever the Collector-President advances, is particularly qualified to share in the municipal administration of our fair city. I believe it is in contemplation to present Mr. Ingle with some token in recognition of his long and faithful services in the municipal board.

P. S.—In proof of what I have urged regarding the undue influence exercised by the President in virtue of his position over the native commissioners, I would call your attention to this day's issue of the *Sindian*, from which you will perceive how even a man in the position of Sett Navomull, C.S.I., is "cowed by the frowns of the Collector sahib."

THE MUNICIPALITY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In the discussion in respect of proposed changes in the constitution of the Municipality, one or two important points have been overlooked. In the first place the present Commissioner had no hand in the framing of the Act with which some people affect to be dissatisfied. If I mistake not, the measure was discussed for four years before it became law; and the general opinion seemed to be that there should be one responsible head who should be answerable to the Bench for all his acts, instead of a number of people who composed the old Board of Conservancy, and afterwards one "full-time" and two "half-time" commissioners. The public and the press were dissatisfied with even three commissioners, and were unanimous in demanding that there should be one gentleman to whom the Justices should look for the proper working of the Act. The salaries of the Commissioner and three other executive officers were fixed by the framers of the Act after due consideration; and I believe the Commissioner does not get one rupee more than he deserves.

Then, again, the receipts and expenditure of a year are fixed by the Justices themselves, based on the Budget brought forward by the Commissioner as required by law. It is unfair, therefore, to that officer to say that he is extravagant in his municipal expenditure after the Justices have once voted "the supplies." [illegible] experience of twenty years in municipal affairs, that the present system is the best suited to Bombay; and that, if the Justices will only discuss the Budget before it is passed, there will be no cry. But to grumble after they have passed the budget is unjust to the executive officers. Mr. Crawford, I believe, courted the present standing Finance Committee; and, if a Town Council be required, let there be one formed from among the Justices themselves, as the resolutions proposed by Mr. Forbes seem to be quite impracticable.

June 27. M. E. G.

POONA SCHOOLS—STATE OF LEARNING.

(*Poona Observer.*)

A WALK through the thoroughfares of the city of Poona will, no doubt, impress the observant stranger nowa-days with the notion, that among the many changes that must have taken place, since the decline of the Peshwas, both as to the physical aspect of the country and those which are now daily effecting by the hand of man—whether for good, or for evil,—is the great impetus given to the now much-aimed-at, an English education, by the opening of a countless number of schools. Every street, every lane, nay, every alley has its school. The rage for teaching, too, as a profession, runs apace. *All* think themselves qualified to teach. Philosophy, herself, stares aghast at the mania. No less than five private schools have sprung up to our knowledge on speculation, exclusive of those supported by Government besides Missionary schools. Places, too, for private classes are held, are beyond number. Leading to a natural law then, one would evidently conclude, that in a mania so unprecedented, a reaction must take place.

But waiving this question aside for the present, it [illegible] very useful subject for the public at large to ponder upon what is the amount of learning instilled at these schools?

What are the fitness of these native teachers for so important and onerous a calling? And, moreover, a subject of no small consideration, are the manners of these students in particular improved in these schools, on a level with their supposed attainments in the language of civilization? Without any attempt at pedantic, we say from personal experience of the last decidedly *not!* And though we deem it dangerous to assert a negative of the rest, yet from what has fallen within our observation, we have ample testimony to assert, as a fact beyond dispute, that the majority of those students, who are annually debared to be matriculated, find it difficult to understand the collegiate prelections of their European instructors; and that we have also known professors justly enraged at the lax system of the annual examinations—drafting youths into the College, who are unable to understand common English! We speak not in the language of exaggeration; let us proceed to the test. We are told that in the absence of speech, *writing* is the only criterion to judge of a man's qualifications. Both these, however, have been weighed in the balance and found wanting. There are, indeed, we admit, a few tolerable exceptions. But all those with whom we had opportunities of personal intercourse, young natives too who had obtained their degrees at College, were unable, we found, when called upon on suitable occasions, to express themselves at any length with sufficient propriety without committing themselves. Elocution here would be a misnomer. Their *delivery* was anything but perfect. Even in the ordinary run of their daily conversation, it is not uncommon to hear big words bombastically wasted on small things, with the practical demonstration that they are painfully ignorant of the familiar phrases of every day life; often awakening in the minds of their English listeners a feeling of the ridiculous, to hear unconsciously elicited from the lips of Collegemen, solecisms, not at all consonant to our notions of those, who, we are told, are critically conversant with Shakspeare, Milton, and Macaulay. But it might be said, that the ability to speak a language does not imply the ability to write it. We admit:—proceed we then to the writing portion. Here, too, we fear ample scope for remarks prevails. Setting collegiate essays aside among which if we have not as yet hit upon—with peace be it said—any fair specimens deserving the name of a College essay, and entitling it to be much spoken of, we will confine ourselves to compositions which are generally considered as of a simpler cast, such as in the shape of petitions, addresses, and letters we had the opportunity of inspecting; and knowing them to have been the emanations of the "educated few" from whom, if we had expected anything at all, we would undoubtedly have expected something readable—at least it not elaborate,—they were productions we are here compelled to say so ill arranged either as to *thought*, or *diction*, that in our humble opinion they were badly required to be replaced on the [illegible] case out of ten to be entirely reproduced. These are not solitary instances. Examples could with facility be afforded; but, it would be foreign to our purpose. Unclassic appeals to the scholastic few in which solecisms so much delight,—the highly wrought diction,—the subtle grace,—the choice classical allusions,—indicating as it were deep and laborious study, yet harmonizing with all that is befitting within the confines of a College wall, these surely we seldom find, and do not expect. But we expect at least what is commonly called plain language, modulated as much as possible to the amenities of practical life. Even this is scarce. When reminded of the shortcomings, we are invariably told that *to them* it is a foreign language;—it is a difficult one; and that it is not an easy task to grasp the various idiomatic and grammatical intricacies of the English tongue. We readily admit this. And so much the more is that native to be held up to our admiration who overcomes these difficulties! From what has been already said we come not to any remote conclusion that the present system of school teaching is defective. Native youths have not only to learn a great deal of what is right, but to unlearn a great deal of what is wrong. A twofold difficulty attaches to their task. Our earliest impressions are, it is said, the strongest. The very first accents uttered to them in English, are generally uttered to them by men, who are unable to pronounce the language with precision. Grammar, and composition, are greatly neglected. Elocution is never heard of. Manners are out of the question. Most of these private schools, we are told, are modelled upon the public. Let us take the "Poona High School" for our standard. Here, too, where there is only one European head teacher, we say it, without meaning any disparagement to him, that his influence is confined to a very small circle. Otherwise the same disadvantages prevail. It cannot be expected to have an English teacher to every class, but it is quite possible, judging by the immense sums which are annually spent by Government for the purposes of education, to increase the staff of such competent teachers at every High School, to whom the English language is vernacular.

WEATHER REPORTS.

CARWAR, 27th June, 9 A.M.—Weather cloudy, wind south-west, thermometer 80, barometer 29·85.

CANNANORE, 27th June, 10 A.M.—Weather rainy, wind north-west, thermometer 79, barometer 29·960, rainfall 1 inch 47 cents.

VINGORLA, 27th June, 11 A.M.—Weather cloudy, wind west, thermometer 82, rainfall 18 cents.

MANGALORE, 27th June, 12 NOON.—Weather rainy, thermometer 79, rainfall 1 inch 85 cents.

TUTICORIN, 27th June, 11 A.M.—Weather cloudy, wind west, thermometer 90, barometer 29·782.

STRANGE DOINGS IN SIND.

(*Sindian*, June 24.)

WE had occasion, not long since, to draw attention to the anomalous position in which the Judicial Commissioner in Sind found himself placed, by the systematic course of officious interference pursued towards him by the Commissioner of the province. The collision into which the two officials were thus frequently brought, had the natural effect of disturbing the symmetrical working of the two great branches of the administration over which they respectively presided; the results of all such disagreements and differences were plainly evidenced in the unseemly paper altercations which took place between them, the denouement of which was the exit of Mr. Pinhey from a stage on which he might have played a useful part. Now, the reflections to which all such unpleasant facts give rise, are simply these, that in an outlying province, like Sind especially, the concentration of arbitrary powers in one personage, and he a military one, ought to be studiously avoided. Under any circumstances, the anomaly ought never to be tolerated for a moment of the highest judicial functionary in a place being made to play second fiddle to the head of its Government, who, in the very nature of things, cannot reasonably be expected to interfere with what he knows nothing about. The two offices of Commissioner and Judicial Commissioner, in a Non-Regulation Province, should be kept widely distinct, and the incumbents be made equally amenable to the control of the Bombay Government only, each in his individual sphere being irresponsible to any other authority. Had such arrangements been in existence we should have been spared the humiliation of knowing that proceedings like the following could possibly have taken place even in Sind. They afford a painful commentary on the centralization scheme as realized in miniature in this province.

Section XXX. of the Code of Criminal Procedure distinctly states, that, where otherwise expressly provided by the Act, every offence shall be enquired into, and determined, in the district in which the offence was committed. Now, it is very well known to every one who has the slightest inkling of Sind, that the Thurr and Parkur district is altogether a different one from Hydrabad. The only magistrates in the former are Major Tyrwhitt and Lieutenant Mayhew. These two officers, especially the first named, passed, we believe, the greater portion of last year at Hydrabad, where Major Tyrwhitt has a private bungalow of his own. Under the section quoted above of the Criminal Procedure Code, all offences had, done, or committed in the Thurr and Parkur district, must be tried in that district; but if the magistrates were in Hydrabad they could not, of course, be in Thurr and Parkur as well, unless they are possessed of some of the magical attributes ascribed to a species of the Boyle Roach genus! The consequence was that, in obedience to the dicta of Major Tyrwhitt, offences committed in Thurr and Parkur were tried by him in his private bungalow in Hydrabad! Some of these instances of irregularity came under the cognizance of Mr. Pinhey, in his capacity as Judge of the Sudder Court, and he did not hesitate in quashing the trials, as being informal and illegal, and in direct opposition to the Criminal Procedure Code. Major Tyrwhitt reported Mr. Pinhey to the Commissioner in Sind; the Commissioner, as may naturally have been expected, remonstrated, not with Major Tyrwhitt, as he ought unquestionably to have done, and as he no doubt would have done, had he been other than a military man, but with Mr. Pinhey, and actually asked that gentleman to allow of Major Tyrwhitt setting rules and laws at defiance, and trying cases at Hydrabad. Mr. Pinhey, true to his characteristic independence and uprightness, firmly declined to accede to the wishes of the Commissioner in Sind, and to permit of a wilful departure from the prescribed course of legal procedure; the Commissioner, thereupon, cut the knot, and, under the authority vested in him of distributing the several districts, notified in his official Gazette that Major Tyrwhitt's bungalow in Hydrabad was to be treated as, and considered part and parcel of, the district of Thurr and Parkur! Pillars were placed around the bungalow, and an official proclamation was made to the effect, that the ground within those pillars was to be looked upon as a portion of the Thurr and Parkur district! Could the force of impudence further go? The effect of such an unprecedented ruling will unquestionably be that it will furnish a precedent for such and similar flagrant violations of the law on the part of other officials vested with magisterial powers who may evince an inordinate predilection for galavanting about, and squatting in places where they may happen to have fuller scope afforded them for the enjoyment of their *otium cum dignitate*. It is rendered evident that Major Tyrwhitt can now, under the auspices of the Commissioner in Sind, snap his fingers at all laws whatever, and render them entirely subservient to his own whims and caprices; any case from the Thurr and Parkur district, if tried, in future, within the bungalow of Major Tyrwhitt at Hyderabad, will be supposed to have been tried in the Thurr and Parkur district, and sections 26 of the Criminal Procedure Code will thus be violated, not only in the letter, but in the spirit also. The object of the section is mainly to secure facilities to the public in the way of the administration of laws; that object will be effectually frustrated in the Thur and Parkur District, at all events.

Is it necessary for us to offer any comments on the facts above detailed, or do they not speak for themselves?

We may as well mention that, during the paper war between the Commissioner in Sind and Mr. Pinhey on the subject of Major Tyrwhitt's highly irregular proceedings and glaring violation of the laws he was bound to conform to, the Commissioner in Sind very kindly informed Mr. Pinhey, in so many words, that Major Tyrwhitt was the veritable Grand Turk in the district to which he is appointed, and that Mr. Pinhey should interfere as little as possible with a man who is nothing more nor less than the monarch of all he surveys there; that interference with the sentences passed by Major Tyrwhitt, on offenders brought before him, would be equivalent to telling the Thurr and Parkur people that he was a mere nonentity; that it was necessary to uphold and maintain intact Major Tyrwhitt's authority in the district in question, and which the Commissioner was of opinion could not be done, if the decisions of that officer were reversed, or modified in appeal by the Suddur Court. *Credat Judeus!* Mr. Pinhey gave the Commissioner in Sind distinctly to understand that his, Mr. Pinhey's interference with Major Tyrwhitt's sentences was a judicial act, and that he would allow of no one to influence him by letter, or any other means in the exercise of his judicial functions, and that if the Commissioner in Sind thought that Major Tyrwhitt's acts should not be interfered with, he ought to instruct the Government pleader to support those acts.

APPLICATION FOR AN INJUNCTION AGAINST THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER.

IMPORTANT ARGUMENT ON THE MUNICIPAL ACT.

At the High Court on Thursday last, an argument of considerable interest on the scope and construction of various provisions of the Municipal Act was conducted before the Hon. Sir Charles Sargent, in connection with an injunction against Mr. A. T. Crawford, Municipal Commissioner for the city of Bombay, applied for by Chubildas Lullobhoy.

Mr. Anstey and Mr. Marriott, instructed by Messrs. Jefferson and Payne, appeared for the applicant. Mr. Green, instructed by Messrs. Leathes and Crawford, for the Municipal Commissioner.

In yesterday's *Bombay Gazette* we published the affidavits and the preliminary arguments of counsel. The remainder of our report is given below:—

Mr. Green next read other affidavits, which he said were the affidavits of the maistree and workmen belonging to the Bhunsalee caste, to which the plaintiff also belonged. The learned counsel proceeded to say that the superintendent of police, in his affidavit, stated most distinctly that the surveillance of the police, as far as he was concerned, had been removed since the middle of May last. He (Mr. Green) contended, whether the defendant had put a wrong construction upon the Act or not, that this was not a case for an injunction, but for damages. He contended that this was not a case where a Court granted an interlocutory injunction, because it was one where ample damages could be obtained. This was not one of those cases where a court interfered because the damage was irremediable. The damages could be settled at the hearing of the suit; and if the plaintiff showed that he had a right to rebuild and was entitled to the rents and profits, then he could recover damages. What that damage was, it certainly could not be much, for, on his own shewing, it was the loss of the rent of six shops only. This was not a case for an injunction, but for damages.

The Judge—Do I understand you to say that the Municipal Commissioner is not justified under the Act?

Mr. Green—No, my Lord. I am only assuming their case to be true. It is not removing the soil or cutting down trees.

The Judge asked if Mr. Green contended that the Municipal Commissioner was not to be restrained from the illegal exercise of his powers—a great functionary like that. He was invested with extensive powers, and the Court was bound to see that he did not exceed the limits. It might otherwise lead the public to believe that the Municipal Commissioner was allowed to exercise his functions as he liked, and that the Court would not interfere. It would not do, his Lordship remarked, to lay down such a general proposition. It seemed to him to be against the whole current of authority to say that this was a mere question of damages. His Lordship asked if Mr. Green had any case upon it.

Mr. Green cited the case of the Cambridge Gas Consumers' Company (4 L. R., Chancery, p. 71), and a case therein cited the Attorney General v. The Sheffield Gas Consumers' Company. Those cases showed that the Courts interfered where the injury was irremediable or continuous.

The Judge remarked that a Court might interfere for other reasons as its discretion.

Mr. Green—I don't know there are any principles on which Courts grant injunctions except on principles which guide the Court of Chancery.

The Judge—I don't think the Court is bound entirely by the practice of the Court of Chancery; but has to use its own discretion.

Mr. Green—Here the application is to restrain policemen from committing an illegal assault or abetment of a trespass.

The Judge—As I understand, then, the Municipal Commissioner makes use of the police to restrain the plaintiff from rebuilding and prevent him from exercising what he believes to be his rights.

Mr. Green—The trespass has ceased, and it is now a mere matter of fear. The superintendent swears expressly that there is now no surveillance.

The learned counsel then referred to Yale, and the case of the North Union Railway Company v. The Bolton and Preston Railway Company (3 B. C., p. 346).

The Judge—Supposing that the dwelling-house you occupy was burnt down, and you were very anxious to rebuild it before the rains, and if the Municipal Commissioner were to prevent such a course, his policemen, would you not think it an irreparable injury?

Mr. Green—It would not be "irreparable."

The Judge—The injury is of such a serious character that it would not do to give compensation for it several months afterwards. It is very unpleasant.

Mr. Green—So he asked the rule where a Court interferes.

The Judge said this was a very different case from that of the Gas Company, who were acting in a manner to create a nuisance. Assuming that the Municipal Commissioner restrained the plaintiff from rebuilding, and that he exercised powers which he had no authority to assume, would it be a case for the Court to interfere?

Mr. Green—The original wrong was said to be that the Municipal Commissioner did not give permission to rebuild.

The Judge said the question before him was whether the Municipal Commissioner had been exercising his powers ultra vires, and had thus caused injury; and then Lordship should have expected the Collector to have been made co-defendant. There were many other matters, but this was the important question.

Mr. Green—Section 106 empowered the Municipal Commissioner to do what he has done. It says: "The Commissioner, with the sanction of the Justices and of Government, may lay out and make new streets, and may build and construct bridges and tunnels; and may turn, divert, discontinue, or stop up any public street, and may widen, open, enlarge, or otherwise improve any such street, making due compensation from the municipal fund to the owners and occupiers of any land, houses, or buildings which may be required for any such purposes."

The Judge—Section 109 shows that it is to be done through the Governor in Council.

Mr. Green—The Governor in Council has twice declared it as required for public purposes.

Mr. Anstey—And retracted it.

Mr. Green—It was retracted by Mr. Crawford. Mr. Crawford is not the Government.

Mr. Anstey—He is.

The Judge—The defendant in 1869 expressly says that it is not required for public purposes.

Mr. Green referred to the correspondence to show that the Municipal Commissioner retracted his permission, because directly it is known that certain ground is required for a public purpose, persons raise buildings with a view to enhance compensation; and Mr. Crawford very properly declined to do what in effect would have been to burden the public funds with the cost of the building.

The Judge—But he says that he proceeded under section 131.

Mr. Green (reading section 131)—He was justified in saying so. It empowered him to "set back" so far as to leave nothing remaining.

The Judge—Don't you think that must be read with section 185? He should have given plaintiff notice that he required it to be set back. Section 161 says—"If the Commissioner fail to signify, in writing, his approval or disapproval of the levels and particulars shown on such plan as aforesaid, and to fix other levels and give other directions within fourteen days after receiving such notice and plan as aforesaid, the person giving such notice may, notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, proceed to build the house therein referred to, according to the levels and particulars shown in such plan, provided that such building be otherwise in accordance with the provisions of this Act."

Mr. Green said the Municipal Commissioner certainly gave other directions. The plaintiff was not empowered to rebuild by section 161; and the Commissioner was authorised to prevent the rebuilding. He did a thing that was beneficial to the plaintiff; and section 222 empowered the Police Commissioner to obey the Municipal Commissioner. It was also in the interest of the public, for there is always a practise to run up demands for compensation in respect of improvements. On those grounds, and on the construction of the Act, the learned counsel submitted—1. That the Municipal Commissioner had no authority to do what he had done; if not, then, 2. That adequate damages might be obtained at the hearing of the suit; and, 3. That there was no evidence of an intention to continue the injury or to resume possession.

Mr. Anstey said he appeared in support of the rule against which his learned friend had just shown cause; and it would be convenient to him, for evident reasons, to deal first with the third ground mentioned by his friend. When an act had once been done, although it was retracted, and although there was no positive expression of an intention to repeat it, the apprehension which existed in the mind of the sufferer were sufficient to justify the application for, and to entitle him to demand, redress. The learned counsel here read from Mr. Kerr's work on Injunctions, ch. 15, agreeing with his Lordship that we have no such distinction here as common law rights and rights in equity. It had been held that the mere prospect or apprehension of injury was not sufficient; but if a person gave notice of his intention to do an act or to infringe the rights of another, that was sufficient ground for a Court to interfere. As to continuous intention, he said what had been done might be done over again. The learned counsel, in support of his argument, referred to the cases of Inchbald v. Robinson and the same v. Barrington before Vice-Chancellor Baring (17 W. R., p. 272). Now, what was done in this case? In the first place, the Municipal Commissioner takes the help of the police to prevent the workmen from rebuilding, and keeps the police there until the approach of the dreaded "pause-bursat" (monsoon), when he withdraws. The police surveillance, even from a distance, is such that if tiles are tarred in the part of the chawl which is occupied, the police resent even the turning of tiles. The defendant himself said he knew he or the Government (and Mr. Anstey had no doubt Mr. Crawford is the Government; he owns being accountable to nobody, he is not responsible to or under the control of the Justices; for, if he is, the Bench is also the Government, and they and the Government,) must enquire into the tenure title of the plaintiff to the property. There was a *bona fide* question raised in the first para. of the defendant's affidavit, and that was the Forsa question. Now, if this important fact had been concealed from his Lordship's eyes, the injunction obtained would have been dissolved; consequently it became necessary to have everything on the record. Here was admittedly a matter to be litigated between Government and the plaintiff. His Lordship was asked to observe that the question was the question of compensation payable to plaintiff in the event of Government taking land for a public purpose. The defendant, on his side, said if anything is done, of course plaintiff would get compensation. If ever they did it, then the first question would be what is the tenure title of the plaintiff to the property? His learned friend had referred to what [illegible] (Mr. Anstey) in his overflowing charity, concealed and did not give out. His learned friend had given out that the Government would allow the building to fall to pieces and to be reduced to ashes for the purpose of having the two suits, that of the plaintiff and that which Government intended to file against him, tried together. This, his learned friend said on the part of Government, was to be done in the public interest; that it was in the public interest that plaintiff was prevented from rebuilding, because when the land was eventually taken by Government for a public purpose, the compensation to be given to plaintiff would be so much more. If his learned friend was right, then there were monsters in the world who made up cases against Government and demanded fabulous prices for their properties. His learned friend had thus given out that it was in the contemplation of Government to keep the plaintiff's building in ruin as it was, until the time for hearing both these suits. Now, said Mr. Anstey, what his client wanted to do was nothing more than a substantial renovation and restoration of his building. With regard to the authorities, the learned gentleman cited Gale on Easements, pp. 433—432; and on that subject, referred also to the cases collected by Mr. Kerr, and the case of the Queen v. The Lord Mayor of London (L. R., 2 Q. B., p. 292,) broadly stating their principles in their bearing upon the present case. The learned counsel then turned to the Bombay Municipal Act, remarking that, in keeping with the clumsy way in which it had been drawn up, an important provision was found interpolated at the end of section 173, namely, that in all cases when land was required for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Act, the purpose must be stated. The learned counsel next commented upon sections 109, 157, and 158 of Act II. of 1865. Now, Mr. Crawford either did or did not want plaintiff's land for a public purpose. If he did, he was bound to have proceeded under the formalities prescribed in the Act; and the learned counsel hoped that the first of these formalities had not escaped his Lordship's attention. Before Mr. Crawford was authorised to send for the superintendent of police, James Brown, and levy a war upon the biggaries and maistrees, he was bound to have gone through the formalities of the Act. And if ever a case had arisen calling for enquiry, it was this: for the public had been led to suppose, from the conduct of Government after the Government and Municipality after Municipality, that they had been rightly or wrongly laying their hands upon private land. Describing the steps taken by the defendant, by the Collector, and by Government to get possession of the land in this case for a public purpose, the learned counsel asked if, under those circumstances, it could be said there had not been an abuse of power and a fence so as to guard off the impression of a misuse of power. If his Lordship granted the application, it would be only to restrain the policemen from continuing an assault—that was what his friend said. That was an important admission; there was an assault or trespass, and all that he could say in satisfaction to the aggrieved party was, that it was stopped. The plaintiff and his counsel drew certain deductions, and his learned friend, on behalf of his client the Municipal Commissioner, drew certain other deductions, and they all came to the same conclusion, that what had been done once might be done again, and that unless it was restrained, the probability that it would be done again was stronger than the probability that it would not. It was not in the power of the Municipal Commissioner that any building which offended his eye, must be abated like a nuisance. The plaintiff, in his affidavit, distinctly stated that the excuse was unfounded, because he was building on the line of the old building. If he was wrong in this, what could be easier for Mr. Crawford, who had ventured to contradict him in some minor matters, to have contradicted him here? But he had not ventured or condescended to contradict him in this point, that he has built on his line. That was the first condition. Then came the second condition that he must give full compensation before that; and then came the third condition (section 159) which Mr. Crawford had to satisfy and which he failed to do before exercising any of those powers, that within fourteen days he failed to signify his disapproval of the proposed levels and fix other levels in lieu thereof.

The Judge—He did so within fourteen days.

Mr. Anstey denied that he did, and proceeded to say that altogether there was nothing in the case which should incline his Lordship to suppose that plaintiff had been doing anything (by his correspondence with the Deputy Executive Engineer) to embarrass the Government or its representative, the Commissioner. What he sought to do was to derive rent from his property for showing what its real value was, should the land be eventually required for a public purpose; and if the land was not required for a public purpose, and the failure of a public purpose was abandoned, that he might apply to the Collector in order to convert his uncertain tenure of the land into a certain and perpetual tenure. It was a wooden building, the shops were also made of wooden materials, and if the suit with which Government threatened plaintiff was brought, there was nothing in the building which could not be easily removed. The plaintiff was entitled to his superficial building; then why should the dilapidations be allowed to continue? The deterioration would increase every day, and by the time the suit came on for hearing there would be no superficies left. It was for preventing such deterioration that plaintiff asked to rebuild his premises. His Lordship, Mr. Anstey said, had remarked properly that even if this application was granted, the matters in dispute would have to be determined at the hearing of the suit. The learned counsel did not now ask the Court to determine the damages: he asked the rule to be granted *ad interim*. His learned friend had dwelt upon the word "irreparable;" but it was not used in a case like this in the sense of physically irreparable. It was not used (Mr. Kerr's book, p. 199,) in the only sense that the injury was a grievous one and not reparable by damages at law. It was impossible to predict, or even to imagine, to what limit the vexation and annoyance to the plaintiff might be carried. The powers of the defendant were unbounded. He had at his command the whole body of the European police; and the European superintendents under him had the whole body of the native police at their command. The exigencies of the public service ought to be considered. There was the Government disputing his right to the land, and there was the Commissioner disputing his possession and his right to make improvements. That was the position of the plaintiff. The police had, therefore, every encouragement to do that which they were bidden to do. There was the notice still hanging over the plaintiff's head that, after the rains had ceased, the interference with his rights would recommence. If Mr. Crawford's case was a just one, and he had instructed the learned counsel who appeared for him that it was, why at the first opportunity he would not recommence the annoyance to his (Mr. Anstey's) client. It would be as well that his Lordship should now interpose and restrain him from annoying the plaintiff. He would then say—"I would, if I could, go to the plaintiff's house and remove his tiles and tarpaulins, but that Sir Charles Sargent has prohibited me by an injunction from doing so." Mr. Crawford would then be in the condition of Winkle in *Pickwick*, and that was the position to which he (Mr. Anstey) should be glad to reduce the Municipal Commissioner, and then let him go. Adverting to the plaintiff's affidavit in reply, the learned counsel said the plaintiff therein states that "As the defendant had never signified his disapproval of the levels and particulars shown in my plan, and had not fixed other levels and given other directions, I was advised that I was entitled to proceed to rebuild." Again, that "I am informed and believe that the Government, at the instance of the defendant, has filed some suit against me in respect of the said land." There was a passage, likewise, in the maistree's affidavit which his learned friend did not read—"Whilst I was engaged on my work, he (Mr. Brown) came and went away; but he came back rushing; and some of the policeman pushed me; and Mr. Brown gave orders and left." The learned counsel read the passage in the maistree's affidavit, because he was entitled to be heard.

The Judge—That would be a question when the case is heard for the assessment of damages.

Mr. Anstey, assenting, said he read it also for the purpose of showing the fear in which the plaintiff and his men stood. If Mr. Brown pushed the men and used threats, spoken or implied, and if he meant to say that that was not force and violence, then he (Mr. Anstey) might say it was true they were not agreed as to their terminology. It was just the same with the London policeman who went and knocked down a person in the street with a stick, and at the hearing of the case next day admitted what he had done, but said—"It would not have killed a fly." There was a difference of opinion between plaintiff, Superintendent Brown, and the Municipal Commissioner; and the latter two understood the English law in a sense different from that in which his Lordship understood it. It was, therefore, in very mercy to the plaintiff that Mr. Crawford should be restrained, and the learned counsel asked his Lordship to restrain him from preventing his client from preserving his rights.

The Judge said he had some difficulty as to the right to an injunction when there was only an apprehension, and he thought there must be something more than mere apprehension. His Lordship said he would consider his judgment.

His Lordship delivered judgment in the case on Saturday. After referring at length to the plaint and the affidavits, his Lordship said the Commissioner's justification for what he had done was based entirely on the powers which he considered were given to him by the Municipal Act, more especially by sections 131 and 160 of that Act, and therefore it would be necessary, in order to determine whether the act of the defendant was lawful or not, to refer particularly to the sections of the Act. Before doing so, his Lordship said he would notice an objection taken by Mr. Green to the effect that, assuming the facts as stated by the plaintiff, the act complained of was nothing more than a simple case of trespass, and that as the damage was not irreparable an injunction could not be granted. His Lordship proceeded to say that there was no such limitation where the question was one between individuals and public companies and functionaries, and after referring to Kerr on Injunctions, p. 295, and the case of Frewin v. Lewis, 4 Myl. and Cr., 254, said if the plaintiff could establish that the Commissioner was at that moment committing an act contrary to the powers given to him by the Act, or in excess of the powers given to him by the Act, it would be his (the Judge's) duty to grant the injunction prayed for, and therefore he proceeded to consider in detail the powers given to the Commissioner by the Act. His Lordship referred at length to different sections of the Act, pointing out that power was given to the Commissioner to purchase land for the improvement of the town; that if an amicable arrangement could be come to between the parties there was an end to it; but that if the Commissioner could not arrange the matter amicably he was obliged by section 109 to apply to the Governor in Council, and the Governor in Council might then declare the land to be required for a public purpose in the manner prescribed in Act VI. of 1857, which provides for the manner of taking lands for public purposes. Next referring to section 131 which gives the Municipal Commissioner power to require a house when being rebuilt to be set back or forward, his Lordship said the question was, How was the power given in that section to be exercised? Now, the buildings in question were new buildings, and sections 158 to 161 expressly provide for the course to be pursued both by owner and Commissioner in that case. The Commissioner might then take objection to the rebuilding of the house on the old site, and intimate that he required the house to be set back or forward in accordance with the general power given in section 131. Section 159 expressly contemplates this being done, but it would be almost unreasonable construction of the Act to suppose that the Commissioner having omitted to exercise any objection within the fourteen days mentioned in section 159, the owner might, notwithstanding the very strong words of section 161, be liable to have his house pulled down at any moment before completion. It appeared to him perfectly plain that the power to require the house to be set back was to be exercised at the time when the person gave the notice of his intention to rebuild, and that it could not be exercised afterwards contrary to the wish of the owner. Now, applying these sections to what occurred, and there was no difference between the parties as to what occurred, they found that the plaintiff did give notice to the defendant in November, but as it was not properly stamped, the notice was returned to him, and he then resubmitted his notice on 30th November, and within fourteen days, on 12th December, the Commissioner sent a letter to the plaintiff, in which he refused his permission to the house being built, as the ground was required for public purposes. But the Commissioner had no power to give such a notice to the owner; the only course for him to pursue was that pointed out in the Act, of referring the matter to the Government, when the Government could have taken the course prescribed by the Act. The Commissioner's letter was therefore not a notice which in any way could prevent or restrain the plaintiff from proceeding to build. That being so, the result was that the plaintiff found himself in a position to act according to the power given to a person to whom no approval or disapproval had been signified, namely, to proceed at once to build. It is true there was a subsequent notice given on 21st March, but being after the 14 days, could not prevent the plaintiff from building, unless it could be held that section 131 was one which could be exercised at any time whatever, and that he had decided could not be done. Now, there could be no doubt upon the affidavits that the police did compel the plaintiff to desist from proceeding with the building; and if that state of things had existed up to the time when this injunction was applied for, he could not but think that it would be the duty of the Court to restrain the Municipal Commissioner from continuing the acts in question. The Municipal Commissioner had stated that what he did do, he did according to his view of the Act, and there was not the slightest reason to suppose that he was actuated by any other motive whatever. But that did not affect the question before the Court, for whatever the motive, it would be the duty of the Court to restrain the Commissioner if his act exceeded his powers. It appears, however, that in the middle of May the police withdrew altogether from the building, and that since that time there had been no interference whatever except what the plaintiff calls surveillance. The Municipal Commissioner has his duties to perform, and must in the performance of these duties exercise a surveillance; but from the time that the police withdrew from the premises the unlawful exercise of power ceased; and the question therefore which arose was whether the plaintiff could have any reasonable apprehension that these unlawful acts would be resumed before the cause came on for hearing. He thought he could not. Moreover, the Commissioner had many duties to perform, which would justify his entering the premises, and in a doubtful question of injunction the Court always looked at the convenience on the one side and the other; and therefore on both those grounds, he was of opinion that the rule must be discharged. He considered, however, that under the circumstances the rule must be discharged without costs.

INDIAN ITEMS.

MR. F. G. MACLEAN, the Assistant Superintendent of the Government Telegraph office here, will leave by steamer this morning for Bombay, *en route* to Ceylon, to which place he stands appointed in a similar capacity in the Telegraph Department there.—*Sindian*, June 24.

WE learn from Dehra Ismail Khan that the line of telegraph to Bunnoo is near completion. That the establishment to work it has not arrived there as yet. There is a difference of opinion, apparently, as to whether the staff should be sent from Sind or the Punjaub.—*Ibid.*

PEONS AFRAID OF BEING KIDNAPPED.—The peons of the Government Telegraph Department, we believe, intend petitioning their immediate superior to be relieved of night work, as they are in danger of being kidnapped. The men are under the impression, it would appear, that Government is in want of emigrants for the Mauritius, to recruit the labour market there, and that people roam about at nights to entrap the unwary into their snares!—*Ibid.*

AN ARTFUL DODGER.—A ludicrous incident occurred the other day at Hyderabad. The trappings on a horse on which a young native lad happened to be riding fell off, and he desired a bystander to pick them up. The bystander requested the lad to dismount when he would rearrange the trappings. The lad, not suspecting the designs of the man, did as he was requested; the bystander mounted, got the horse into a gallop, and then rode away, leaving the disconsolate boy to cry as lustily as he could for help!—*Ibid.*

A NATIVE EXCUSE.—Head Constable Yacoob, of the main guard in the City, laid information to the effect that the Moonshee of the Guard, named Muwlaidians, had disappeared since the 18th May, and that he had been arrested on the 10th instant. The Moonshee was sent up to the City Magistrate on the 22nd idem, and, on being called upon to account for his absence, stated that a fit of delirious had overcome him, and that in a state of unconsciousness he had proceeded to Sonmeanee, whence he returned the other day. As the man had suffered sufficient punishment by the loss of his appointment, the magistrate fined him Rs. 15, which were paid.—*Ibid.*

TELEGRAPH MESSAGE RECEIPTS.—The native merchants complain of the tiresome delays to which they are compelled to submit, by the system at present pursued of furnishing receipts for telegraph messages presented for transmission. The delays extend frequently over a quarter of an hour, which, to men in business, is so much valuable time thrown away. To obviate the inconvenience complained of, there should, we think, be certain set numbers for the receipts, which numbers could be affixed to the messages, independently of the numbers they bear. The delays incurred in the obliterating process are also tedious, and could be avoided by punching the Queen's heads, instead of obliterating them. We would commend these suggestions to the notice of the Superintendent here, with the view to his bringing them under the consideration of the Director of Traffic.—*Ibid.*

THE HEAT AT LA

when we meet her at St. Petersburg, but in Asia we have fought her many severe diplomatic battles and won them. Our position in Afghanistan is a clear success, and it will be our own fault if it does not remain so, under any changes of circumstances, because it is clear that we have done Afghanistan much good, and do not want anything more from her than a fair observance of a treaty the prime benefit of which is her own. The defence of the lines of Kalifat, even as the story comes from Kinglake's pen, does not show more the power of one or two Englishmen at the head of an Asiatic force than does that great siege of Herat which ended towards the close of 1538; Russian generalship and engineering, with Persia outside; inside Pottinger and his Afghan men. This is what we can do if the frontier work grows hot, and if we again have the firmness and decision that we have had heretofore on that frontier.

It is a fact, however, that we never yet have been able to come to anything like an understanding with Russia in Central Asia, and it is equally a fact that we either must do so, or look for war in the end. What would such an understanding involve? That Russia should give place and retire from Central Asia? Nobody would dream of any such nonsense. If Central Asia ever is to possess anything at all approaching civilization the impulse must come from without, and to all appearance from Russia. We cannot fight for Khiva. We can accept facts as we find them and recognizing Russia's position as an Asiatic power, give her the help of our civilization to effect one of her own. We cannot help her in a crusade against the Crescent. We are here the Sovereign Power over millions of believers in the Crescent; and we would no more suffer Russia to interfere with their Faith than we would interfere with it ourselves. But the antagonism never may come. Events, east, west, north, south, may interpose, in a way at present unforeseen. Russia, if she has anything like the work cut out for herself that some suppose, will require at least a century in which to perform it. With ordinarily wise statesmanship and strong government we ought to be invulnerable in India; and Russia with a fair and generous opening to Indian trade cannot fairly ask for more. It would be foolhardy to predict the fate of Constantinople. It is one of the dark problems of the future, but certainly the victory of Germany in Europe has not increased the probabilities of Russia seizing the Queen of Cities. Free Europe would not readily see Russia advance on Constantinople. We know not what Count Bismarck might have done under certain circumstances, but they would have had to be very extreme ones before he had agreed to that.

We hold that a strong, firm, definite but conciliatory policy is our right and proper course in the present position of affairs. Unless we are to go to war for every country in Asia attached or overrun by Russia we must abide by the line we have drawn. We certainly have Central Asian questions that we cannot neglect. Statesmanship must draw the line where we are to interfere; and we ought to make interference of some weight. But let it be understood that in all matters of peace and settled government our interest and Russia's are not antagonistic. We would rather see the Khanates free, and under native government. We would like to see Persia strong enough, to set the bare thought of invasion at defiance. We would do something to secure for Afghanistan a stable government. But we must accept the position. We ought to have firm and clear-seeing men on the frontier—men not easily cajoled, and not likely to precipitate matters. We ought assuredly to do something more than look on in the affairs of Afghanistan. We ought to deal with Russia as with a friendly power, where we can, and where we cannot with a frank avowal of opposition on understood grounds worthy to be the standground of a great nation. Our diplomatic network on the frontier should be of the strongest; *capable* in peace or war; not likely to lose nerve because of a real Russian advance, nor to be jealous of those other advances, which are necessary for Russian trade. We are bound to remember that the position of fifty years ago is all but gone. What faces us is a new position, and we must face it with new principles, or old principles adapted to new circumstances. It does not follow that because Russia is at our doors, that she is on that account more potent as against us. She is, however, a great European and Asiatic power struggling for civilization—struggling for domination too, but we have no sympathy with that. We can have an understanding with her so far—that we will encourage her trade to the utmost, and afford her all the help of peace. Then we ought to have a strong Foreign Office for the other side of the question. Granted these simple conditions—just what an individual would provide for in his own case—and the advance of Russia means nothing to us, nor to the generations that come after.

PLEADING FOR A PRINCE.

THE *Lucknow Times* thus pleads for an increase of pension to Prince Mustafa Ali Hyder Khan, the eldest brother of the ex-King of Oudh. "The history of his life," says the Lucknow paper, "is a most curious episode in the narrative of the latter days of the Court of Lucknow, such as we hear it from eye-witnesses. Jealousy and a foul intrigue, it is said, prevented his succession to the throne of his father. While his brother reigned, he was subjected to privations most ignominious of every kind—and he bore all with heroic patience. He was kept in "honourable durance" as the phrase is, which translated into plain English, means imprisonment and short commons. On the annexation of Oudh, better days dawned on him. He was restored to liberty, and a small pension was allotted to him. During the troubles of 1857 he preferred to stand by those who had given him liberty and life, and joined his fate with that of the besieged heroes of the Residency. He has always been a very simple-hearted, straight-forward, and undemonstrative man. He is the quietest and most unassuming of the lot of Princes and Nabobs of Lucknow. He is considered eccentric—but his eccentricity is accompanied by a great deal of genuineness and honesty, as eccentricity very frequently is. We have thus brought Prince Mustafa Ali Hyder Khan, prominently to public notice in order to urge on Government his claims to a slight increase of pension. He has neither *Vasseks* nor any other property of his own—indeed he was kept in such close confinement that he had not those opportunities which other princes and nobles had of acquiring property. While his brothers live in opulence, he is a dependant on the bounties of Government. He has a very large family, and although of exceptionally frugal habits, his small stipend hardly enables him to make the two ends meet. A slight addition to his pension will be a 'god-send to him and will redound greatly to the good name of the Government. The people of Oudh hold him in great respect, and will feel such an act of benevolence and appreciate it."

THE SUEZ CANAL.

(Pall Mall Gazette.)

"Ce que conte à l'Egypte le Canal de Suez" is the title of a pamphlet just published at Alexandria by Edouard Dervieu, a banker of that city, who was for many years agent to the Messageries Impériales Company in Egypt. But before entering into financial details he passes a high eulogium on the disinterestedness of the two Viceroys under whom the enterprise was conceived and completed, pointing out that in an economical and commercial point of view the maritime canal, however beneficial to other nations, was decidedly disadvantageous to Egypt, depriving its railroads of much of their traffic, and the country generally of the profit derivable from the land transit of passengers. But "in a political point of view," remarks M. Dervieu—and the statement is significant as coming from a Frenchman—"the case was different; because the creation of a Bosphorus between the two seas, thereby facilitating direct communication between the two worlds, would necessarily increase the importance of the geographical position of Egypt, and secure its neutrality," or, in plainer words, its independence. The conventions between the Egyptian Government and the company have been several times revised and altered. With regard to many of the so-called concessions made by the company in return for the substantial aid periodically afforded them by the Viceroy, M. Dervieu remarks:—"It is true that the company abandoned a portion of the rights and privileges which had been accorded to them, but Egypt paid enormously for what it had originally given gratis." The following is an abstract of the entire expenditure of the Egyptian Government, including interest:—

Government shares in the Canal	£5,980,878
Indemnity to the Company	4,614,891
Construction of the Canal from Cairo to the Wadi.	865,000
Paid for the Wadi property	400,000
Docks at Suez	380,000
Harbours at Suez	993,000
Lighthouses in the Mediterranean	50,000
Repurchase of concessions	1,619,025
	£14,112,284

"And if to this total," writes M. Dervieu, "be added the expenses of Nubar Pâsha's mission to Paris, the cost of the splendid entertainments given by his Highness the Khedive on the opening of the Canal, and that of several missions to Constantinople in order to obtain the Sultan's ratification of the concessions, we may rest assured that the cost to Egypt of the Suez Canal amounts to 400,000,000 francs," or £16,000,000; that is, more than one half of the Egyptian debt, which M. Dervieu reckons amounted to £28,737,283 on the 1st of January, 1871. M. Dervieu, however, has entirely omitted the Viceroy's Datrah, which form as great a drag on the resources of the country as the Government obligations, strictly so called. The amount, as quoted on the London Stock Exchange, will be as below:—

Total as given by M. Dervieu		£28,737,283
Nine per Cent. Daïrah Loan, 1867	£2,080,000	
Seven per Cent. Viceroy's Loan, 1868 ..	3,387,800	12,616,160
Seven per Cent. Khedive's Loan, 1870.	7,142,860	
		£41,347,443
To which is to be added (if report be true) for a loan just concluded on alleged security of railways, &c., by agents of Railway Loan of 1868		8,500,000
		£49,847,443

"THE BATTLE OF DORKING."

(Spectator, May 27.)

A somewhat singular literary phenomenon occurred last week. For the first time that we can remember, some singularly ill-written prose was by mistake printed by *Punch* in lines as if it were verse. Under other circumstances, the lines would have been too insignificant to be worth noticing, but appearing as they did in *Punch*, which everybody reads, and concerned with "The Battle of Dorking" about which every one is talking, they conveniently epitomize one or two popular blunders on the subject which we happen now to be able to correct, and we therefore notice them, in order to remark that "The Battle of Dorking" is not a "Tory alarmist article" at all, having been written, not as was universally asserted at the time our notice of the paper was written, by Colonel Hamley, or, as has since been asserted, by his brother, but, as we have strong reason to believe, by a much younger writer, who chances to be already known in his own profession as a man of great ability, who, though without any strong political bias at all, has been recently engaged in writing for a distinctively Liberal publication, and whose literary connection was so entirely on the Liberal side that he originally had the article offered to Messrs. Longman and Co., and we have every reason to believe that it was by their advice that the article was sent to Blackwood, not as a question of political propriety at all, but simply because Blackwood is the old-established home of able literary *jeux d'esprit*. We may add, that though probably, as happens in all such cases, the anonymous form under which the article appeared has increased its popularity, there can be no question that the position of the writer of the lines in *Punch* does, to paint that creature of invincible self-esteem, the British lion, sleeping securely within his belt of blue, like to fancy that the article is weak. It happens that the writer's professional duties have given him especial opportunities for judging the value, from a mechanical point of view, of those experiments recently made, more especially with reference to *projectile-torpedoes*, which have been in reality rather an engineering than a naval question, while they certainly leave, as with reference to naval affairs in a position of transition so complete, that while no one in this country can say absolutely what is the right solution, it is equally impossible for anybody to assert that that solution has not been found, or may not be found, abroad by a power which can keep secrets. In 1843, the Red Republicans, at a time when rifles had been generally adopted by no European Power, broke open the magazines at Cologne, and found stores of rifles of which one in Europe knew, and which were then available for issue to the Prussian troops. After the experience of the Danish campaign, English officers *who had seen the work of the breech loaders* themselves prophesied the success of Austria in 1866. But we always trust our officers when they tell us we are safe in our present condition. We are only sure to distrust them when they tell us we are in danger,—a comfortable arrangement, which makes us equally sure we are safe, much on the French principle that if the facts are against us, so much the worse for the facts. However, it must be confessed that it is somewhat idle to discuss the question; the nation which has not been taught by such a disaster as that of the Captain that naval supremacy, as a thing which depends largely on the shifting conditions of construction, is just now more than ever an uncertain Preponderance, will never learn it from any revelations as to the intentions of which it is ignorant.

THE INGREDIENTS FOR A LONDON COMMUNE.

(Globe, June 2.)

Putting aside the interests of politics, and regarding the history of the Red Republic from a social point of view, we believe it will be readily conceded that many of the men who fought like tiger-cats in the streets of Paris were entirely ignorant of the so-called ideas which were inscribed upon the proclamations of their leaders. These creatures were the spawn of godlessness, poverty, and vice. Many of them were the marks of the galleys and the prisons; all were penetrated with an irrational hatred of cleanliness, order, or sobriety. They died in mad paroxysms of drunkenness. From day to day they were encouraged to pursue a liberal education in blasphemy by the literature of *Père Duchesne* and other pestilent broadsheets. The ground had been long prepared for the seed which has fallen upon it. The devil does not sow his acre until it is thoroughly able to nourish its crop. A certain class of the Parisian population was abandoned to a license of feeling and of thinking, which it is not easy for sober-minded people to realize. The pictorial brutalities exposed for sale in the low quarters of the city would disgrace the private portfolios of a Chinese mandarin. The plays written for the masses, and performed at cheap theatres, went in indecency beyond anything ever suggested by our own licentious dramatists. Add to this that the Parisian of the order to which we refer swallowed his portion of nastiness constantly. He took it in his books, in his songs, in his casinos, in hideous travesties of sacred writings. He deliberately debauched and stifled every instinct of courage or of self-respect which might have been born with him. He joined clubs where assassination was preached as a holy doctrine, and the profanation of churches by systematic abominations was a projected feature of a revolution. We have seen the consequences of such a training. When the national enemy was at the gates of Paris, the defiant Red, who believes himself to be God, in his king, nor in law, could never be got to come out under fire. The despised "pagans," the religious Breton Mobiles, had to do the work, while the braves of Belleville saved their skins and cursed and Gasconaded from morning until night. We may stop in our account of them here. The picture has been brought into sufficient light for our purpose.

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The violence of our criminal population is becoming excessive. The roughs now make it a regular point to resist the police, and to maim or halt murder them if possible. Again, they are learning to work in concert; when one is laid hands upon, a dozen slink out of the lanes, or jump from the corners of streets, and endeavour to rescue their companion. And yet we continue to cultivate systematic gaol birds. A gentleman with a history of twenty-seven previous convictions for assault is no unusual figure in the dock before the metropolitan magistrates. For every serious term of incarceration to which a practitioner of such large experience is assigned, he can exhibit as a rule the ticket-of-leave upon the strength of which he has had an opportunity of qualifying himself for another sentence. Do we know how these men live, when they are not locked up and making tesselated pavements for Mr. Ayrton, or mosaics for the *opus criminale* of South Kensington Museum? They have less sense of religion than savages—they have, in fact, no sense or notion of religion at all. Next to the rough class let us take a momentary glance at the habitual casual—the unsavoury sneak who blinks in the sun in St. James's Park in the day, or begs after timid women and children with his weak but cruel face artistically disfigured with grime, and his monkey toddle and scamper and animal furtiveness of gait. In all these creatures we have the raw material of a Commune. What is required is only a few master minds. Fortunately our idealists are as yet in a minority. It is strange but true that the purest politicians, whose principles are so finely drawn and sublimated that they must be kept in a cool library temperature, has always to resort to the hulks and the sewers, when he has the full courage of his theories, in order to carry them into practice. The history of the French Commune was, we admit, the history of the cowardice of the Parisian *bourgeois* as well as the brutality of the Parisian ruffianism; but it was something more. It was the consequence of a noxious literature—a literature of infidelity and licence. The plague virus was disseminated industriously, and its effect was vertical and lateral. It touched and diseased every level of society, but in the lowest it took most active effect. The ambitious theorists, by the unhappy chance which had prostrated their country, found ready tools for disorder in the creatures whom they had thought to defy every rule of life and conduct which could purify or chasten humanity. What is the ultimate logic of our advanced school of thinkers? As long as we can enrol special constables, certain possibilities of French Communism cannot arise, but that does not relieve the propagandists of what is termed progress from their peculiar responsibilities. We do not allude to the more ignorant mimics of Continental democracy, who whine and snarl in their pothouses at every institution connected with our prosperous stability and well-being; but to the settled theorists and apologists of Communism, whose voices are regarded as oracular by their dupes and admirers. We have confidence enough in the sense of Englishmen to fear but little from the worst that can be done by the studions, or the unlearned advocates of revolution, Democracy, Communism, or Socialism, but it may be useful to take stock of them, to remind them of their associations and natural connections, to call attention to the fact that they are linked in a very direct chain with that portion of our population which forms the difficulty of every Government. In the face of the occurrences abroad, there is a serious obligation incurred by every writer who continues to indulge in scientific toasts upon the value of a transcendental republic, a vulgar Commune, or a democracy which would consist in a game of grab at established rights and properties; and yet these topics are favourite themes for certain current essayists whose fanaticism is not the less mischievous for being cultivated as a literary fine art.

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THE TICHBORNE CASE.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, WESTMINSTER,
(Before the Lord Chief Justice and a Special Jury.)

JUNE 1.

The claimant's examination was resumed by Mr. Giffard.—While at Rio I became acquainted with Birkett, a captain of a vessel. I met him at the hotel. He told me he was going to New York, and would have to call in at Kingston, Jamaica. He said he should sail next day. I made up my mind to go if I could get my passport. You have to give 48 hours' notice. I determined to go. I had only £20. I had spent my money principally in drink. There was £30 I paid the captain and also my servant and my hotel bill. I went aboard in a boat. Jules Barraud did not go with my luggage, but he was to have done so. I was the worse for liquor when I went aboard. I drank "cana," a white rum, *aqua ardiente, aequedente*—that is Spanish for firewater. "Cana" is Portuguese for it; it is a white spirit. Before I left I think I received a letter from my father. He wished me to return. It was not exactly unkind, but very cross—scolded me for spending so much money. The name of the vessel was the Bella. I was hidden away, and did not come on deck until the day the vessel went down. There was no other passenger. My servant remained behind. I had come up shortly after breakfast. I was leaning on the companion—it was not unlike this witness box. The captain was at the side of the vessel. One of the seamen said to him he thought the ship looked very low, and must be making water. He ordered the pumps to be tried. They afterwards did pump. Before using them they ascertained there was water in the ship, 12 feet, before they began to pump. They tried again, and found the water was increasing on them. They pumped for five minutes. There were two pumps. The captain ordered the boats to be cleared. She had three boats. One had a hole in her. Of the other two, one was large, the other small. A lot of things was thrown out. Water and provisions were put in the large boat. There was a bag and barrel of biscuit, and preserved provisions in tins. The captain's papers and compasses and one thing or another were put aboard. The boat was then "put in the sea" by the yard. The small boat was lowered; there were proper things for lowering it. I was in the small boat, with eight of the crew; no one in command. The captain was in the other boat. There was a kind of quarrel between the captain and the mate. The captain wished the mate to take charge of the smaller boat, and he would not, and he went in the same boat with the captain. There were six or seven in the larger boat—a less number in the larger boat, on account of the provisions. Orders were given us to follow the large boat. The preparations took an hour and a quarter or an hour and a half. We afterwards saw the Bella go down. It was about 12 when she went down. We must have got into the boats a little after 11. We followed all day, all night, and all next day. It came on very dark and rough the next night, and we lost sight of the large boat. Next morning she was not in sight. We used to go up to the other boat night and morning for food and drink. When we lost sight of the large boat we had left a few biscuits and no water. A sailor threw them in in a small bag. They all got wet with salt water. I don't think we ever knew what course the other boat was keeping. We had no compass or chart. I have not an idea how we steered. I believe all they did was to keep the boat from being swamped. We were pulling. It was very hot. The next day, the fourth morning after the wreck, we saw a ship. They pulled hard, but a breeze sprang up, and it was not until the third attempt we got aboard. The breeze kept springing up, and then a calm again. The men were exhausted, but they made a last attempt. I did nothing but throw the water out of the boat with a tin. A sailor took off his red shirt and put it on one of the oars. The vessel hoisted a flag. I suppose they rowed to us; but I do not know. I became insensible. I do not remember being taken aboard. I do not know, unless it was over-exertion, what made me lose my senses. I had had no water for over 60 hours. We had some biscuit within a shorter time. I believe I was ill for some time. My memory was very imperfect. I do not remember the events of that voyage. I do not know if I am able to judge if my memory is now affected. I am under the impression the vessel was an American. She was a larger vessel than the Bella, I should think. I was ill aboard her for seven or eight weeks. I had saved nothing or whatever I had clothes on me and a ring on my finger. I never went into the cabin again when I heard the ship was leaking. The ring had a red stone in it; on it, a bird's head with the wings, the Tichborne crest. I sold it at Melbourne. The vessel took us to Melbourne towards the end of July—24th or 29th. I left Rio about the 20th or 21st of April. I went with the captain and called at two different establishments on the day of landing. One was the Custom-house, I suppose. Melbourne was in a state of excitement about the gold diggings. I was under the impression that the vessel was the Osprey. I still think so. I am under the impression that the captain's name was either Lewis or Owen. That is my impression still. The vessel had three masts—a ship, rigged as a ship; yards on all three masts. She had a round stern. I do not know what report the captain made. He went into a room by himself. I know of no deposition being taken. I signed none. I do not know of any report being made to Lloyd's agents by myself or any of the saved crew. I went away next day. I do not know what became of my fellow passengers who were saved. I went for a walk and went into a horse-sale yard in Burke-street. There was a sale going on. There was a horse "bucking" in the yard. A person standing by thought I was a new arrival, and asked me if I thought I could ride that horse. I said I thought I could. We afterwards got into conversation, and he asked me if I would go down into Gipps' Land with him. His name was William Foster. He said I should have nothing to do but ride after stock. I could ride very well. I agreed to go, and left the yard with him. I changed my name to Thomas Castro. Aboard the American ship I went by my own name. This was suggested by knowing Castro, I suppose in Chili. I cannot tell what was in my mind; that could be my only reason. I went with Foster to the hotel where he was staying—the Limerick Castle, at the bottom of Elizabeth-street. Mrs. Hickie was the landlady. I found out afterwards what riding after stock was, for I had years of experience. Foster said it was a very jolly life to lead—hunting and shooting. I have been to Hickie's since. We started for Gipps' Land at 5 next morning with Foster and other men who had come from Gipps' Land with him. He had brought horses to Melbourne to sell. I remember a man named Mould and the "Hielandman," another man named Andrew. We rode to Boisdale, Foster stating; it is about 11 days with cattle, and three and a half for going back; about 180 to 220 miles. The first week or two I went about in company with others who knew the runs, and assisted in bringing cattle to the yard for the purpose of draughting. Foster was superintendent to his uncle, Mr. John Foster. He was considered a very wealthy person. Boisdale is on the Avon, about four miles from Stratford-on-Avon. I remained there until the beginning of 1856 or end of 1855. I went to Dargo, two days, or, riding hard, a day and a half off. I formed the acquaintance of Arthur Orton. He looked after stock; he could ride well enough for an ordinary rider. He was rather sharp-faced—the head of a long face, large bones, slightly marked with smallpox, but quite distinctly. I have no doubt I have seen his arms bared. I can speak to no marks. His eyes were always very red. I cannot describe the size. He was taller than I am, an inch and a half. While I was at Dargo I met Arthur Orton, on a visit to Boisdale. I was in charge of Dargo. He had very large hands and feet. I became intimate with Arthur Orton. He succeeded me at Dargo. Miller was there before I was. I was with Foster until 1857, the latter part. I knew a person named Norman Rownell Nicholson. We lived in one house, his hut being not quite finished, from seven to eight months. There was a hut keeper, but no one to associate with within 60 miles. I believe some diggings were nearer, but there was then no road. Arthur Orton latterly, in 1856, passed as Alfred Smith. When I left Foster I went to the township, Flodden Creek, in the district of Sale, for about a fortnight. I was generally called "Tom" in the bush; you seldom hear both names of a man. I went afterwards to the Nicholson, a small gold digging. I was travelling about two days, and stayed four or five days at a place. I never settled for three years. I was on the Omao for six months. They are diggings. I went to Wagga Wagga about the latter part of January, 1860. Nothing but the state of my health prevented me from going to Mellipilla. I was suffering from tapeworm then, and still am. The diligence I was to have gone by was stopped by the brigands. I am now 26 stone 4lb. in weight. When I was at Cordova last I weighed about 22 stone. When I arrived in England, on Christmas Day, 1866, I weighed, I think, 18 stone. In Australia, in January, 1865, I was 11 stone 4lbs., and when I was with my regiment in Ireland I was 10 stone 4 lbs. I met Arthur Orton in 1857. I saw him just before I left Australia. Between these times I lost sight of him for about three years. I think it was from 1862.

This finished the examination in chief.

The Solicitor-General called upon Mr. Holmes to produce some documents, and he not being in attendance at the time, he was "called upon his subpœna."

Mr. Serjeant Ballantine said that Mr. Holmes had been constantly in attendance during the whole trial, and was now absent only because he was told that he would not be wanted for an hour.

After a short interregnum Mr. Holmes arrived, and was called upon by the Solicitor-General to produce the Wagga Wagga will of the plaintiff.

Mr. Holmes said that the paper came into his hand as attorney for the plaintiff, and he should wish to have his authority to produce it.

Mr. Serjeant Ballantine: I give that authority.

Cross-examined by the Solicitor-General: I signed this will in Australia. My mother's name is Henrietta Felicite.

The Lord Chief Justice said that he heard some one near the witness-box repeat the name, pronouncing it Felicité, where the witness had failed to accent the last letter. If he could find out who had done this he would commit him to prison for contempt of court. An usher must stand by the box to see that no such impropriety was committed.

Witness continued: I decline to say why I made the will.

The Lord Chief Justice: I order you to answer.

The Witness: Mr. Gibbs would not advance me money unless I made a will, and therefore I trumped up any kind of thing I possibly could, making the whole contents of the will wrong in every shape and way. This was the Mr. Gibbs whom I wrote to my mother was "my best friend." My object was that Mr. Gibbs should not know all about him. I got from him £300 before making the will, and about £400 afterwards. My object in making the will was to satisfy a whim that he had, not to give him security. I never intended it to be any use. I can't say it was executed in fraud; it was certainly executed wrongly. I obtained money on the execution of the will. I believe he made its execution a condition. You know a good deal better than I do.

Did he?—I believe he did. I have a slight doubt. I wished to correct what I have said. Mr. Gibbs did not, himself advance the money; he got it from Mr. Cotty, a banker. I don't think he refused to let me have the money unless I executed the will; he made a difficulty. I executed the will to get the money, and I executed the will knowing it to be untrue from beginning to end. The will is dated the 1st June, 1866. I had at that time seen neither Bogle nor Guilfoyle, nor any person connected with the Tichbornes. I had been in communication with Mr. Gibbs for 9 or 10 months. I knew he had written to the dowager. I don't think I gave him my first letter to send to the dowager. I never denied that it was written in Mr. Gibbs's office. Mr. Gibbs entreated and prevailed upon me to write.

And you mean to swear that you intended in making the will to conceal from him all about yourself?—Yes; I had had very little communication with him upon the matter. During the ten months sometimes I did not speak to him about it for months.

It was so immaterial?—He was anxious to do that which I was not anxious to do.

The will now made said—"I give, bequeath, and devise to my wife, Mary Ann Castro, known in New South Wales as Mary Ann Castro. I having married her in the name of Thomas Castro, the lawful dower out of my estate." Did you mean that to take effect?—No, I did not, of course. I knew that Gibbs was in communication with Mr. Cubitt, but I saw no letters Mr. Cubitt had received from the dowager.

The next devise is—"I give, bequeath, and devise to my mother, Lady Hannah Frances Tichborne, in addition to her dower, the whole of my property in Cowes, in the Isle of Wight." Why did you put your mother's name wrong?—On the same principle as I put everything else wrong. I knew my mother's name was Henriette Felicite. I had no property at Cowes, in the Isle of Wight, nor had Roger Charles Tichborne.

The next is, "I give, bequeath, and devise to my daughter, Mary Agnes Theresa, she being the issue of my marriage with my said wife, the whole of my Wymering estate in Dorsetshire in England." Had Roger Charles Tichborne any such property?—No, none.

"And also the property at or near Hermitage, in Dorsetshire, in England, inherited by me from my late father, Sir Henry Tichborne." Why did you not put your father's name wrong?—Because Mr. Gibbs knew better. I had no property at Hermitage, in Dorsetshire. I had a farm called Hermitage, but that was in Hampshire. I don't know whether there is a Hermitage Wharf in Wapping. I don't know Wapping. I went there on the day of my arrival on Christmas Day, 1866; but I don't know whether there is a Hermitage-street, a Hermitage Bridge, and Hermitage Wharf in Wapping. I went to Wapping after I had been to the hotel to find my mother. I did not expect to find her at Wapping.

"And also my property at and near Ryde, in the Isle of Wight." Was there any such property?—No.

"I give and bequeath to the Anne Servant, daughter of my wife before her marriage with me, an annuity of £200 a year, to be paid out of the rent of my estate at and near Ryde, in the Isle of Wight." Was there any such property?—No. I appointed Lady Tichborne and Mr. John Jervis, of Bridport, Dorsetshire, executors. I don't know whether Lady Tichborne is such a person. I went to Tichborne's office. (A discussion here arose as to the right of the learned counsel to call a piece of paper not put in "will.")

The Lord Chief Justice (to the jury)—These little sparring matches are supposed to influence you.

The Foreman—The learned counsel will be much disappointed if we do. We are not to be influenced. We prefer to hear evidence, no matter whether you call a paper a will or anything else.

Examination resumed—When I left Wagga I first went to Golborne, and then to Sydney back to Golborne, where I was re-married in the Catholic Church by the name of Roger Charles Tichborne. (Certificate of marriage put in, in which the claimant is described as a bachelor, and his wife signs by a mark; the date is July 9, 1866.) I had my daughter christened Teresa Mary Agnes. I do not know why I chose those names. At Sydney I met Guilfoyle. I believe he was the first person connected with the Tichbornes I had seen. Perhaps I had seen Mr. Turville. I knew his father. I saw Bogle in the archway of the hotel at Sydney in August 1866. I recognized him the moment I saw him. No one pointed him out; he was overseer at the Bloomfield, near Wagga. I spoke to Bogle as I passed. I said, "How do you do Bogle? Who would expect to see you here? Wait, and I'll send down for you." I afterwards agreed to take Bogle to England. We embarked from Sydney in September. I went by New Zealand and Panama to Aspinwall and New York. I stayed a month at New York, sailed from New York, and arrived in England at one of the docks on Christmas Day, 1866, about 5 P.M. Then I went to Ford's Hotel, Manchester-street. We all used to go there,—father and mother, I mean. I went to Beaumont-street, Portman-square, to see my mother. She was not there. Next day I went to the ship, eventually to Gravesend. I ought to have gone to my mother direct, but I had no money. My mother sent £400 to Wagga, but I had started before it arrived. I stayed at the Clarendon at Gravesend. I went down to Tichborne. I tried to keep myself secret. I did not succeed, for there were several who knew me. I stayed four or five days at the Swan at Alresford. Shortly after I had a letter from my mother. I had written. I saw at the Clarendon Mr. Gosford and Plowden. I did not know Mr. Cullington. I should not say Gosford recognized me the first day. He did it in a very ungentlemanly manner. Afterwards I went to Paris with Mr. Holmes and Mr. Joseph Neate. Neate is an agent for Mr. Allsopp, the brewer. At Paris I went to the Hotel de Lille et d'Albion. I did not see my mother the same night; it was late. I saw her next morning; she came to see me. She was very unwell. I do not know that I am able to describe what happened. She was standing alongside the bed; I was lying on it. I am not aware that anything happened. I was attended by a medical man. I could not say which spoke first. We conversed for a long while. I cannot